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# PRESS RELEASE

## City to host Ward & Wellbeing Earth Day Block Party

**WINTER PARK, FL, an internationally recognized, award winning city with multiple accredited agencies (April 6, 2022)** The City of Winter Park Natural Resources & Sustainability Department, Keep Winter Park Beautiful & Sustainable (KWPB&S) Advisory Board, and Center for Health & Wellbeing are excited to announce the **Ward & Wellbeing Earth Day Block Party Saturday, April 30.**

Kick off the block party at 7:30 a.m. by participating in "Run for the Trees," the 29<sup>th</sup> Jeannette Genius McKean Memorial 5k presented by Center for Health & Wellbeing, and hosted by the city and Track Shack. Register to run where peacocks roam on Genius Drive by accessing [trackshack.com](http://trackshack.com). Don't forget to bring your old running shoes to recycle with Track Shack through the Sneaker Seekers Program.

The Earth Day Block Party will be from **8 to 11:30 a.m.**, in Ward Park located at 250 Perth Lane. The event will provide fun for all ages including numerous activities, live music, sustainable demonstrations and giveaways, happening in both Ward Park and the Center for Health & Wellbeing. In honor of Arbor Day, certified arborists from the city's Urban Forestry Division will be on-site to answer questions and give away an assortment of one-gallon containerized trees to participants of "Run for the Trees." Residents can sign up to receive their free tree through the [Community Canopy Program](#). At 8:30 a.m., KWPB&S Green School Grant Program winners will be announced in Ward Park along with the winners from "Run for the Trees."

"Founded by U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson in 1970, Earth Day is designed to inspire awareness and appreciation for the earth's environment," shared Natural Resources & Sustainability Department Director Gloria Eby. "We want this celebration to showcase how the city and its partners, Track Shack and the Center for Health & Wellbeing, are working together to make the city sustainable. We can't wait to celebrate with everyone!"

The Center for Health & Wellbeing is a partnership between the Winter Park Health Foundation and AdventHealth providing a hub for wholeness, fitness and medicine programs and services. For a full list of Earth Day Block Party activities hosted by the Center for Health & Wellbeing, please access [yourhealthandwellbeing.org](http://yourhealthandwellbeing.org).

For vehicle parking information, bike corral location, road closure details and a list of activities at the **Ward & Wellbeing Earth Day Block Party on Saturday, April 30**, please access [cityofwinterpark.org/earthday](http://cityofwinterpark.org/earthday) or call 407-599-3364.

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