

## Save the Date!

### Celebrate Earth Day with SOCRRA

Sunday, April 17  
12pm – 3pm

Enjoy Earth Day with tours of the SOCRRA recycling facility, a Recycled Materials Fashion Show and a scavenger hunt. Get creative with repurposed crafts and art projects with Green Living Science. Get up close and personal with a recycle truck. Try your luck at a tossing game and win a Frisbee made from recycled plastic.

#### Don't miss:

- ⇒ Rain Barrel demonstration
- ⇒ Composting booth
- ⇒ Food and beverages

995 Coolidge Hwy., Troy  
between 14 and Maple Rds.,  
across the street from  
Meijer)



## Tips for a Hoppin' Eco-Easter & Spring Gardens

### Hippity hoppity Easter's on its way

Peter Cottontail has a tasty alternative to adorning baskets with non-recyclable plastic grass. Kale leaves are not only rich in vitamins A and C, they also make a wonderful waste-free nest for brightly colored eggs.

Another neat nest for Easter eggs is shredded, colored paper. This creates gorgeous grass that is recyclable. Remember when you're finished to place shredded paper in a paper bag or see-through plastic bag before recycling.



At home, rather than plastic eggs, encourage kids to find their own hand-decorated hardboiled eggs. They can exchange their basket of found eggs for a basket filled with goodies. This cuts back on plastic waste and the purchase of unsustainable egg fillers.

### Spring into Green Gardens

Unseasonably warmer weather has Michiganders getting outside and thinking about their Spring gardens. Pitch the pesticides and consider an edible organic home garden. Now is the time to select seeds and prepare the soil. Start with cool season crops such as onions, beets, lettuce, spinach, carrots and radishes. Check with Michigan State University Extension for gardening assistance.

***Remember, your community PAYS for trash,  
but EARNS rebates for recycling.***