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**EARTH DAY**  
April 22, 2009



Earth Day is a time to celebrate gains we have made and create new visions to accelerate environmental progress. Earth Day is a time to unite around new actions. Earth Day and every day is a time to act to protect our planet.

<http://www.earthday.gov/>

### **Earth Day: History**

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

The site contains documents and photos related to the history of Earth Day and previous Earth Day celebrations.

<http://www.epa.gov/earthday/>

<http://www.epa.gov/earthday/espanol/>

### **Today In History: April 22 Earth Day**

American Memory, Library of Congress

Today in History for April 22 briefly shows the history of Earth Day along with links to developments through U.S. history in conservation efforts leading up to the Earth Day.

<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/today/apr22.html>

### **Earth Day 2009: New Energy For America**

U.S. Department of Energy, April 2009

The Federal Government is summoning the nation "to face one of the great challenges of our time: confronting our dependence on foreign oil, addressing the moral, economic,

and environmental challenge of global climate change, and building a clean energy future that benefits all Americans." This call is the Administration's New Energy for America plan.

The 2009 Earth Day theme is New Energy for America. It showcases the potential and importance of New Energy for America as a means to stimulate our economy, protect the environment, and increase energy independence.

<http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/services/earthday.html>

### **Make Every Day Earth Day**

U.S. Department of Energy

This is the U.S. Department of Energy's tips to save money and protect the environment.

<http://www.energy.gov/energytips.htm>

### **Earth Day 2009**

Los Alamos National Laboratory. April 2009

The Laboratory focuses on how people can sustain and improve the environment. The people have an impact on the planet, and it is corporate and individual responsibility to minimize these impacts. The Web site leads to researches done by the Laboratory to help protect the future of the planet.

<http://www.lanl.gov/environment/earthday/index.shtml>

### **Earth Day 2009: The Green Generation**

Earth Day Networks

Earth Day Network has a global reach with a network of more than 17,000 partners and organizations in 174 countries. More than 1 billion people participate in Earth Day activities, making it the largest secular civic event in the world.

<http://www.earthday.net>

### **Earth Day: Fighting the Effects of Climate Change**

World Wildlife Fund, April 2009

Climate change is among the most pervasive threats to the web of life, yet people have the power to address its root causes and limit its impact on the planet. Smart energy choices made by individuals and businesses can dramatically reduce CO2 emissions and slow global warming. Without action, climate change will cause the extinction of countless species and destroy some of the world's most precious ecosystems.

<http://www.worldwildlife.org/sites/earthday/item6793.html>

### **President Obama Announces Launch of the Major Economies Forum on Energy and Climate**

The White House

President Obama has invited the leaders of 16 major economies and the Secretary General of the United Nations to designate representatives to participate in a preparatory session at the Department of State on April 27-28 in Washington, D.C. The preparatory sessions will culminate in a Major Economies Forum Leaders' meeting, which Prime Minister Berlusconi has agreed to host in La Maddalena, Italy, in July 2009.

[http://www.whitehouse.gov/the\\_press\\_office/President-Obama-Announces-Launch-of-the-Major-Economies-Forum-on-Energy-and-Climate/](http://www.whitehouse.gov/the_press_office/President-Obama-Announces-Launch-of-the-Major-Economies-Forum-on-Energy-and-Climate/)

### **You Have The Power: Campaign Materials**

Federal Energy Management Program, U.S. Department of Energy

The artwork for You Have the Power campaign in conjunction with the Earth Day is available for download.

[http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/services/yhttp/campaign\\_materials.html#ed](http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/services/yhttp/campaign_materials.html#ed)

### **Earth Day Video Project**

EPA

Throughout the month of April, in honor of Earth Day on April 22, we'll feature videos you create. Your video can be instructional, inspirational, or testimonial. We're looking for videos that call others to action.

<http://www.epa.gov/earthday/videoproject/>

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