



Chasten Gold, Nonprofit

West Sacramento Earth Day Celebration - April 4, 2026

On April 4, 2026, Chasten Gold Nonprofit participated in the City of West Sacramento Earth Day Celebration as part of its ongoing Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) community engagement efforts. The event brought together families, children, environmental organizations, local agencies, and community partners to celebrate environmental stewardship while promoting education and sustainability throughout the region. The event provided an excellent opportunity to engage residents in conversations about environmental health, contaminated properties, and simple actions families can take to reduce potential environmental exposures.

Chasten Gold's participation was led by Program Director Evonna McIntosh with support from Community Engagement Representatives Isaah Alford and Danyale McIntosh. Staff designed an interactive educational booth that encouraged participation from children while simultaneously providing educational resources to parents and caregivers. The booth served as a welcoming space where families could learn about environmental contamination through age-appropriate activities and direct conversations with project staff.





WEST SACRAMENTO'S EARTH DAY

AND SPRING CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH | 10:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.

Bryte Park, 1225 Carrie Street, West Sacramento

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE EARTH DAY AND SPRING!

Learn, play, shop, eat and have fun at this **FREE** community event!

FREE TACO to the **FIRST 50 PEOPLE**
that arrive at 10 a.m. to the Info Booth!
Limit 4 per family.

50 FREE TICKET VOUCHERS to the first
people to visit the **RIVER CATS** booth
and sign-up for their newsletter
(Limit 2 per fan)

EGG HUNT FOR THE KIDS!

10:30 a.m.
ages 4 and under

11:00 a.m.
ages 5 - 7

11:30 a.m.
ages 8 - 12



HIGHLIGHTS

- **FREE RAFFLE** with great prizes including tickets for the **A'S, SACRAMENTO RIVER CATS AND SACRAMENTO REPUBLIC FC**
- Music, fun activities and giveaways for all ages
- Ideas and resources for living more sustainably
- Unique items for purchase from local artisans and makers
- Arts & Crafts for the kids
- Free seven-gallon recycle bin, kitchen pail and compostable bags (while supplies last)
- Meet non-releasable Birds of Prey Ambassadors from "Hawks Honkers & Hoots"
- Free Compost giveaway
- West Sacramento Fire Department with Engine
- Ride your bike to the event and park for free with SABA Bike Valet

JOIN US RAIN OR SHINE!

If you have questions, please call (916) 617-4590. More info at <https://recyclingfun.org/>



One of the most popular attractions was the interactive soil safety station, where children explored how contaminants can exist in soil and why proper hygiene after outdoor play is important. Through engaging demonstrations and discussions, staff explained how contaminants may not always be visible and emphasized preventative behaviors such as handwashing and playing in designated safe areas. Families were encouraged to ask questions regarding environmental health concerns within their own neighborhoods, allowing staff to provide information regarding contaminated site cleanup efforts and available community resources.

Educational FAQ sheets explaining environmental arsenic contamination, soil safety, and exposure prevention were distributed throughout the event. Families also received complimentary copies of *The Day I Met Captain Fresh*, a children's educational book written specifically to reinforce environmental health lessons through storytelling. By combining literacy with environmental education, the project created an engaging experience that encouraged continued learning after families returned home.

Overall, the West Sacramento Earth Day Celebration successfully advanced the goals of the Technical Assistance Grant by increasing community awareness of environmental health issues, providing culturally accessible educational materials, encouraging meaningful dialogue between residents and project staff, and promoting practical behaviors that help reduce environmental exposure risks for children and families.