



Sustainable ROSEVILLE

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Commitment to Our Environment

Roseville residents highly value the sustainability, natural resources, and recreational opportunities in the community, which is why the City has made it a priority to preserve, promote, and maintain these resources. Through the City's Comprehensive Plan, participation in programs such as GreenStep Cities, and projects such as the ongoing wildlife habitat restoration in city parks, Roseville continues to strive toward building a sustainable future for all residents, businesses, and visitors.

Partners in Energy Updates

We held a renewable energy webinar on January 13th alongside Center for Energy and Environment and Xcel Energy to inform residents about different renewable options available for renters and homeowners. Missed the live webinar? You can view the recording on our [Sustainability website!](#)

The Roseville Rotary invited the City to give a presentation on Roseville's sustainability work, and sustainability intern Noelle Bakken attended their January 31st meeting to update residents and answer questions about Roseville's current projects.

We continue outreach to [energy-burdened households](#), most recently delivering 150 informational flyers translated in Spanish, Hmong, and Karen to the Keystone Community food shelf on Rice Street.

Renewable Roseville Challenge

Show your support for renewable energy by signing up for [Windsource®](#)! We're hoping to get **30 households** signed up by the end of February.

When logging into your Xcel Energy online account, you can subscribe to Windsource® and source some or all of your home electricity from wind energy!



Home Energy Squad



Many of us are seeing high utility bills this time of year, and a **Home Energy Squad** visit can help you identify where you can add efficiency to your home! Visits for Roseville residents are only \$50 (normally \$100), and are also available free for income-qualified households.

A **Home Energy Squad** visit is a great first step to determining how to use less energy before tackling larger home improvement projects like new windows or rooftop solar.

Food Scraps Recycling

Ramsey County is recruiting for a resident trial focus group to try their new food scraps pickup program, scheduled to roll out in late 2022/early 2023. If selected, you will receive a \$150 gift card!

Fill out this form by **February 20th** to be considered. The trial is open to renters and homeowners.

Want to get started recycling your food scraps? It's easier than you might think! **Visit City Hall for a FREE starter kit**, which includes compostable bags, a countertop bucket, and more information about **what's accepted!** Food scraps can be dropped off 24/7 at our collection site at 2580 Dale St. N.



Adopt-A-Drain



Storm drains need attention in winter too! Clearing snow and ice away from storm drains help them drain properly and prevent flooding. You can adopt a storm drain in your neighborhood, which includes giving your drain its very own clever name (optional but cute!) and tracking how often you clean it.

Last year Roseville had 192 people participate in Adopt a Drain. **Can we get to 250 in 2022?** Visit our **Adopt A Drain** site for information on how to get started!

What's Next?

In March and April, we will be focusing on outreach to local businesses about ways they can add efficiency to their buildings and operations and lower their energy bills, which is one of our goals for the **Partners in Energy** program. **The commercial and industrial sector accounts for over 60% of energy used in Roseville**, so we have a lot of opportunities to see where we can use less!

Looking to volunteer? We're planning to do a door to door "business blitz" in April to distribute flyers and information about **FREE** programs available to business owners! If you're interested in helping, [email us](#) and we will add you to our contact list.

Finally, keep an eye out for your spring utility bills from Roseville! As the snow starts to melt and we start to think about home improvement projects, keep in mind that rebates and low-cost financing are available for upgrading to more energy-efficient appliances, water heaters, and more.

Thank you from your Sustainable Roseville Team!

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