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Happy new year!! We hope you'll join us for our upcoming events—read on to learn more!

**Transit, Housing, & Sustainability: *How are transit-oriented communities working out, what is SB 9 going to do, and why are people angry about duplexes?***

So much of the conversation in Los Angeles (and across the country) about transit and housing is filled with contradictory claims. It can be hard to know what is true and what is not!

**Nancy Matson** of the **Del Rey Neighborhood Council** Green Committee, the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (**WRAC**) Transportation & Mobility Committee, and the NCSA Transportation Committee did a deep dive into the topic in an effort to uncover the truth.

Come hear what she learned (and share what you have learned) **THIS SUNDAY, January 9, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm** as we work as a city to make our way toward economic, social, and environmental sustainability.

We'll talk about **housing density**, **affordable housing**, Transit Oriented Communities (**TOCs**), being carless in LA, [California Senate Bill \(SB\) 9](#), **trees**, **parking minimums**, and what we want our neighborhoods to be like.

RSVP at [ncsa.la/transit\\_housing\\_01\\_09\\_2022](https://ncsa.la/transit_housing_01_09_2022).

## **What we achieved last year**

In December, we reviewed our (and our partners') accomplishments in 2021. [Here](#) is a list of what we came up with.

## **Food waste**

Changes are coming to how we manage our organic waste. Two Los Angeles Times articles ([here](#) and [here](#)) help spell out what is coming and why, and we will be diving into this issue more! In the interim, you might want to follow the lead of **Jiyoung Park** and the **Silver Lake Neighborhood Council**, which worked with [LA Compost](#) to bring local composting to the Silver Lake Farmers Market. Learn more at [nca.la/resources\\_food\\_waste](https://nca.la/resources_food_waste).

And don't forget the [action guide on reducing food waste](#) in the City's **Green New Deal Neighborhood Council toolkit**, at [nca.la/resources\\_green\\_new\\_deal\\_toolkit](https://nca.la/resources_green_new_deal_toolkit).

## **Is Metro Micro near you?**

Metro Micro is Metro's new on-demand rideshare. In the city of Los Angeles, it's in the northwest San Fernando valley, UCLA/Westwood, Eagle Rock, and Highland Park. Learn more at [micro.metro.net](https://micro.metro.net).

## **Cool Blocks launch event January 13!**

Our LA Climate Moonshot launch event will be **Thursday, January 13 from 6 to 7 pm**. Come learn about our goal of carbon neutrality without offsets by 2030 and how you can help! RSVP at [nca.la/la\\_climate\\_moonshot\\_launch\\_01-13\\_2022](https://nca.la/la_climate_moonshot_launch_01-13_2022).

To learn about Cool Blocks LA and to become a Cool Block leader, visit [nca.la/cool\\_blocks\\_la](https://nca.la/cool_blocks_la).

## **Call for community foresters**

TreePeople is calling for community foresters, who they will train and support to plant trees! **Applications are due January 18**. Learn more and apply at [treepeople.org/community-forester](https://treepeople.org/community-forester).

## **Energy workshop**

The LA Ecovillage Institute invites you and your friends and neighbors to their FREE **Save Energy & Win workshops**, made possible by a grant from the Los

Angeles Department of Water and Power. The next workshop is **Saturday, January 15th from 1 to 2 pm**, on Zoom. Learn more and register [here](#).

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