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Upcoming Events

Bay Area Cohousing Presentation: Saturday, June 4th



*Imagine...*living in a community close to hiking, biking, nature walks, fishing, and kayaking, just blocks from the American River and its miles of trails. **Fair Oaks** is in Eastern Sacramento, with excellent connection to the Bay Area on Amtrak. Most importantly, it's much more affordable. Come learn from someone who relocated to Fair Oaks while maintaining his economic ties with the Bay Area.

Saturday, June 4th from **1-2pm**

Vista Del Lago Club House: 151 Buckingham Dr. Santa Clara, CA 95051

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[View Presentation Flyer here](#)

Fair Oaks EcoHousing Site Tour: Saturday, May 28th at 10:30am

Fair Oaks EcoHousing will be a beautiful neighborhood of 30 homes on 3.7 acres in Fair Oaks, CA, 18 miles east of downtown Sacramento. We're looking for the rest of our future neighbors! Come see the site and our architectural plans at an upcoming tour.

Meet at **10:30am** at the **Fair Oaks Coffeehouse** in Fair Oaks Village, located at 10223 Fair Oaks Blvd, at the intersection with Park Drive. Look for us in the patio area, on the side of the Coffeehouse. We can carpool to the site. The tour will last about an hour, with an optional lunch afterwards at Siam Patio Restaurant. Group Members will lead the tour of our beautiful property.

Can't join us that day? Additional tour offered on **Saturday June 11th!**

To sign up, please contact **Linda Tanforan** at (916) 359-3742 or braille@surewest.net



Picnic in the Parkway: Saturday, June 18th from 12-2pm

Join us for a picnic in the American River Parkway at Sacramento Bar. Beef, turkey, and veggie burgers will be provided, along with buns, condiments, paper plates, and utensils. Guests are asked to bring their favorite picnic food and drink (alcohol is ok) to share. You may want to bring a lawn chair.

This is a family-friendly event! Kids are warmly welcomed. Dogs are also welcome. Bring your swimsuit and your bike, raft, or kayak. This park is a favorite launching spot for rafts.

Directions: Sacramento Bar is at the foot of Pennsylvania Avenue, off Fair Oaks Blvd, just west of Sunrise. Look for the "Fair Oaks EcoHousing" sign. There is a \$5 entry fee if you do not have an annual Park Pass.

RSVP to Linda Tanforan at 916-359-3742 or braille@surewest.net

Join Us For a Potluck: Sunday, June 19th at 6:30pm

Shared meals are key to maintaining a strong cohousing community. You're invited to meet us for a meal Fair Oaks (RSVP for directions). First-time guests do not need to bring a dish to share. Food and drink will be provided. Family-friendly: kids are welcome.

RSVP for address. Contact **Chris Haviland** at chris.haviland@gmail.com



Snapshot of Fair Oaks

Why Do Our Members Love This Community?

With a population of about 31,000 and location just 18 miles from downtown Sacramento, Fair Oaks has that small town feel many seek. Residents have their pick of great restaurants, theatres, music venues, colleges and schools (including a Waldorf school just down the street. [Read more about](#)

[nearby schools on our website](#)).

Home to over one 125 acres of parkland, green space is celebrated locally. Winters are mild here. Being located on the eastern side of the valley provides easy access to the Sierra Foothills, with opportunities for hiking, skiing, rafting and kayaking. [View site maps.](#)

Members give their take on the community's benefits:

"Walkability – I don't need a car to get around."

"Music, plays and parks – the overall 'feel.'"

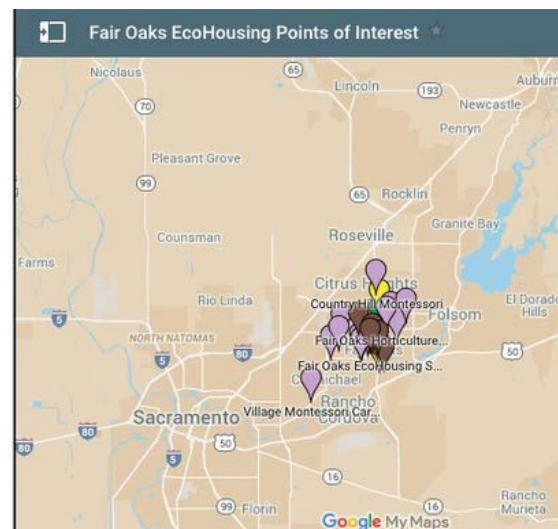
"There's a strong sense of place."

"The community, people and connections."

"Neighbors work as a team here."

Map Key

-  Fair Oaks EcoHousing
-  Parks
-  Entertainment
-  Restaurants
-  Schools
-  Fitness



Roz at the Nature Center



Roz Eliaser is a volunteer Docent at the [Effie Yeaw Nature Center](#) in Sacramento, where she's worked on and off for about 4 years. She assists the Naturalists in leading school groups through the Center and hiking on the trails. Since the Center is dependent upon outside support to be able to fund all its programs, she helps out with their fundraising events too.

One of the things Roz loves most about working at the Center is helping with the outdoor adventure camps. In addition to fishing and gold panning, the camps take a raft trip from Sacramento Bar to Ancil Hoffman Park. [More on Programs offered for both adults and kids.](#)

She's also trained to assist in the [Nisenan-Maidu Native American Programs](#) that are held in the replica Nisenan Village at the Center. She recently taught a class on how the Maidu gathered, processed and ground acorns, which include a hike identifying how life might have been back when the Nissanon-Maidu lived there.

At left: Roz with her poodle, Pepper, tabling at Roseville Earth Day last month.

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You're Invited! Bay Area Cohousing Presentation & Picnic at Sacramento Bar.



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