



Fairfax County Gas Lawn Tool Exchange Program

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Background

Fairfax County is committed to reducing gas-powered lawncare equipment in its operations and in the community:

- **CECAP:** Expand EV use across on-road vehicles and off-road equipment (2021)
- **Board Matter:** County to discontinue purchase of gas-powered leaf blowers and encourage residents to join in this effort (2021)



Public Outreach and Engagement Efforts

- **Resources**

- Dedicated website: [Electric-Powered Lawn Equipment | Topics](#)
- Multi-lingual handout: [Electric Lawn Equipment One Pager](#)

- **Events**

- Sponsored Clean Air Partners 2024 Gas Powered Tool Exchange and tabled the Fairfax ACE Hardware event in May 2024
- Third Annual Conference for Landscape Professionals (Plant NOVA Natives and Fairfax County Park Authority)

Ditch the Gas-Powered Lawn Equipment

Gas-powered lawn equipment - such as leaf blowers, lawn mowers, and other devices used to clear debris and maintain landscaping - is **bad for our environment and for our health.**

Air Pollution and Climate Change
Two-stroke engines, which are used in gas-powered lawn equipment, release greenhouse gases and noxious fumes, warming our climate and harming our air quality.

Noise Pollution
The noise from gas-powered lawn equipment can emit noise levels at or above 90 decibels, just shy of the noise level of a jet engine, leading to possible hearing loss and headaches.

Switch to Better Alternatives
There's good news! The alternatives to gas-powered equipment are **better for you and better for our air quality.**

Natural Lawn Landscaping
Choose different natural lawn approaches, such as **leaving the leaves** to decompose or gathering and **composting your leaves** to create rich topsoil.

Electric Lawn Equipment
Electric models, such as battery powered or plug-in lawn equipment, are widely available and generally **more cost-effective.**

Scan for more information

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Maquinaria eléctrica para césped
Los modelos eléctricos, como los equipos de césped que funcionan con batería o que se enchufan, están ampliamente disponibles y suelen ser **más rentables.**

Escanear para más información

giniá. Octubre de 2024. Para solicitar accesible o alternativo, envíe un correo a: oecinfo@fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-324-7136, TTY 711.

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/topics/electric-powered-lawn-equipment

Expanding Outreach and Engagement Efforts in 2025

- **MOU with Clean Air Partners for:**
 - Spring Gas Lawn Tools Exchange Program
 - Pop-up exchange events in Fairfax County
 - Product vouchers for equipment exchange
 - Community awareness and engagement events
 - Marketing, promotion and PR
 - Direct communication to low-income households





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