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Charleston County's "Living Green" – *Energy, Conservation and Green Design*

U.S. EPA Grant funds Charleston County's pollution-reducing education programs

Viewers can watch the next two episodes of "Living Green," [Charleston County Government's](#) 30-minute green lifestyle TV show, in October.

There are now two episodes running each month that air on channels WTAT Fox 24 and MyTVCharleston. The October episodes are "Energy and Conservation" and "Green Design"

"Living Green" is scheduled to air on the following times and stations every Saturday during October:

- 9-9:30 a.m. on WTAT FOX 24 (Comcast channel 6): "Energy and Conservation"
- 9:30-10 a.m. on WTAT FOX 24 (Comcast channel 6): "Green Design"
- 10:30-11 a.m. on MyTVCharleston WMMP (Comcast channel 13): "Energy and Conservation"
- 11-11:30 a.m. on MyTVCharlestonWMMP (Comcast channel 13): "Green Design"

Information on the "Energy and Conservation" episode:

- The "Energy and Conservation" episode was filmed at Oak Terrace Preserve, Noisette, Gaillard Auditorium, and Berkley Electric Cooperative's Corporate Office. Watch all this month to learn more about alternative energy and conservation methods
- Featured guests of this episode are:
 - o Erika Myers, S.C. Energy Office
 - Status update on South Carolina's sustainable projects
 - o Mike McKenna and Michael Whitfield, Green Roof Outfitters
 - A green way to help the environment, and save money on your HVAC costs
 - o Eddie Plowden, Berkley Electric Cooperative
 - A local utility has some interesting tips on energy efficiency
 - o David Hill, The Verdi Company
 - From new construction to residential retrofits, there are green solutions to your home projects

Information on the "Green Design episode:

- The "Green Design" episode was filmed at Half-Moon Outfitters, MUSC, St. Christopher Camp & Conference Center, and the International Code Council. Watch all this month to learn more about green building, renovation and design in the building environment.
- Featured guests of this episode are:
 - o Beezer Molten, owner of Half-Moon Outfitters, and Chris Crane, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED), P.E.
 - Showcase one of the most energy-efficient buildings in the state
 - o Christine Cooley and Bob Branson, Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC)
 - A local university exhibits powerful use of green technology

- o Paul Fleury, Sustainable Energy Solutions, LLC, and Ned Collins, St. Christopher Camp & Conference Center
 - Camp at the barrier island receives funding for renewable energy projects

The County's show is funded through a \$236,498 [U.S. Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\) Community Action for a Renewed Environment \(CARE\) grant](#) given for Charleston County's continuing participation in its [Project Impact Partnership Program](#), which aims to reduce local air and water pollution through public education programs.

"The TV show is part of an extensive educational campaign to provide information and assistance to our citizens on ways to reduce pollution and improve our air and water quality in order to protect the environment for future generations," said Carl Simmons, Charleston County's Building Inspection Service Department Director who oversees the County's Project Impact program.

Guests and panelists appear on the show, including experts and scientists on the local, state and national level.

In addition to the "Living Green" TV show, other educational campaigns being developed through the CARE project also focus on:

- Reducing on-road diesel emissions through reduced idling, retrofits and the use of alternative fuel vehicles
- Controlling open burning
- Promoting mass transit and encouraging the use of public transportation
- Working with boaters to address marine pollution
- Other air and water pollution reduction strategies aimed at the both the general public and specific audiences

Viewers can also go online for more information or to view previous "Living Green" shows.

- YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/user/carecommunityforum>
- Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/pages/CARE-Community-Forum/121743317854010>

Visit the EPA CARE Web site at www.epa.gov/care or Charleston County's web site <http://www.charlestoncounty.org/Departments/BuildingServices/care.htm> to learn more about the CARE program.

To schedule a presentation on environmental quality and pollution issues, local groups can contact [Charleston County Government's Building Inspections Department](#) at (843) 202-6940.