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## **Gas-Powered Leaf Blower Ban Enforcement Free Electric Leaf Blower Demonstration – June 27, 2023**

South Pasadena (Calif.) – In September 2021, the City of South Pasadena adopted Ordinance No. 2357 prohibiting the use of gas-powered leaf blowers. The ordinance was enacted to enhance the quality of life for our residents by reducing air and noise pollution in South Pasadena. Enforcement of the ordinance is in effect and property owners are responsible for ensuring gas-powered leaf blowers are not used on their property. Fines amounting up to \$500 may be issued to property owners for non-compliance. Residents and gardeners can use gas alternatives such as a rake, broom, or an electric leaf blower.

There are two incentive programs currently offering discounts on electric equipment for commercial gardeners and landscape professionals. The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is offering discounted electric lawn equipment, including leaf blowers, in exchange for gas-powered equipment through their Commercial Lawn and Garden Equipment Incentive and Exchange Program. More information on this program can be found at [www.AQMD.gov/LawnGarden](http://www.AQMD.gov/LawnGarden). In addition,

the California Clean Off-Road Equipment Voucher Incentive Project (CORE) is also offering discounted electric lawn equipment, including leaf blowers. More information on this program can be found at [www.CaliforniaCORE.org](http://www.CaliforniaCORE.org). Funding for both programs is limited and should be applied for as soon as possible.

The City of South Pasadena has partnered with the American Green Zone Alliance (AGZA) to host a free Electric Leaf Blower Demonstration event on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 to educate the community on the ban and the SCAQMD and CA CORE incentive programs. Residents and gardeners are welcome to stop by Garfield Park (1000 Park Ave.) any time between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. to test out a variety of low-noise, low-polluting electric lawn equipment, including leaf blowers. Spanish speaking staff will be available to answer questions and refreshments will be served.

To learn more about the ban on gas-powered leaf blowers, available incentives, and upcoming events in the City, visit [www.SouthPasadenaCA.gov/LeafBlowers](http://www.SouthPasadenaCA.gov/LeafBlowers).

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# Ban on Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers



LOCAL  
POSTAL CUSTOMER

**The City of South Pasadena has prohibited the use of gas-powered leaf blowers in the City.**

*No Gas South Pas!*



Scan the QR Code or visit [SouthPasadenaCA.gov/LeafBlowers](http://SouthPasadenaCA.gov/LeafBlowers) to learn more about the ban, incentives, enforcement, and upcoming events.

**Enforcement is in full effect!  
Penalties include fines up to \$500!**

- As the property owner or tenant, you are responsible for ensuring compliance. Use an alternative such as a rake, broom, or electric leaf blower.
- If you have a gardener, discuss alternatives and suggest they attend our upcoming electric leaf blower demonstration!
- Statewide incentives are available, but funding is limited and provided on a first-come first-served basis!
- Avoid fines, talk to your gardener or make the switch today.



## Calling all Gardeners!

Join the City of South Pasadena and the American Green Zone Alliance (AGZA) for a

### FREE ELECTRIC LEAF BLOWER DEMONSTRATION

- Test out different electric leaf blower models
- Get your questions about the ban answered
- Receive assistance with applying for discount programs

*Bilingual staff ready to assist!*



## Tuesday, June 27

### 9:00am - 1:00pm

### Garfield Park

### 1000 Park Ave.



 1 hour gas-powered leaf blower use =  Driving 1,100 miles (San Diego to Portland)

Emissions from gas-powered leaf blowers contribute to air pollution and climate change.



Toxic pollutants from gas-powered leaf blowers cause health issues including dizziness, asthma attacks, headaches, and heart and lung disease for both operators and bystanders.

## Share these Discount Programs for Electric Equipment with your Gardener

Scan the QR CODES below for more information, including eligibility requirements

### AQMD Commercial Electric Lawn & Garden Equipment Exchange Program

1. Visit a participating retailer listed online
2. Select equipment with retailer assistance
3. Submit a voucher with the retailer and wait for approval
4. Turn in your old gas-powered equipment to the retailer
5. Purchase your new discounted electric equipment from the retailer



[AQMD.gov/LawnGarden](http://AQMD.gov/LawnGarden)

### California Clean Off-Road Equipment Voucher Incentive Project (CORE)

1. Select your equipment from the online catalog
2. Contact eligible dealers listed in the catalog
3. Submit a voucher with the dealer and wait for approval
4. Purchase your discounted electric equipment from the dealer



[CaliforniaCore.org](http://CaliforniaCore.org)

For more information visit [SouthPasadenaCA.gov/LeafBlowers](http://SouthPasadenaCA.gov/LeafBlowers)



For Mandarin, scan the QR code

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June 2023

# LA CIUDAD DE SOUTH PASADENA

## Prohibe las sopladoras de hojas de gasolina



### ¡South Pasadena prohíbe las sopladoras de hojas de gasolina!

*No Gas South Pas!*



Scanea el código QR o visita [SouthPasadenaCA.gov/LeafBlowers](https://SouthPasadenaCA.gov/LeafBlowers) para aprender más sobre la prohibición, incentivos, cumplimiento y próximos eventos.

**El cumplimiento esta vigente!**  
Penalties incluyen multas aste de \$500!

- Como propietario or rentero, tu eres responsable del cumplimiento. Puedes usar alternativas como rastrillo, escoba o sopladora de hojas electrica.
- Si tienes jardinero, discute las alternativas y sugiere que atienda a la proxima demostracion de sopladoras de hojas electricas.
- Incentivos estatales estan disponibles pero los recursos son limitados y son distribuidos en el orden de la aplicacion.
- Evita multas, habla con tu jardinero o as el cambio ahora.



### Atencion Jardineros!

Ven acompaña a la Ciudad de South Pasadena y a la American Green Zone Alliance (AGZA) a

### UNA DEMONSTRACIÓN GRATUITA DE SOPLADORAS ELÉCTRICAS DE HOJAS

## Martes, Junio 27

### 9:00am - 1:00pm

### Garfield Park

### 1000 Park Ave.

- Cala diferentes modelos de sopladoras de hojas electricas
- Obten respuestas a tus preguntas sobre la prohibicion
- Recive asistencia con la aplicacion de programas de descuento

*Personal Bilingual disponible*



1 hora de uso de sopladoras de gas



Manejar 1,100 millas (San Diego a Portland)

Emissiones de sopladoras de hojas de gas contribuyen a la contaminacion de el aire y cambio del clima



Contaminantes toxicos de sopladoras de hojas de gas causan problemas de salud incluyendo mareos, ataques de asma, dolor de cabeza y enfermedades del corazon y pulmones a los operadores y espectadores.

## Comparte estos programas de descuento de equipo electrico con tu jardinero

Escanea el código QR para mas informacion, incluye elegibilidad y requisitos

### Programa de cambio de equipo commercial electrico para cesped y jardin de AQMD

- Visita un distribuidor participante de la lista disponible en linea
- Escoje tu equipo con asistencia del distribuidor
- Manda tu vale al distribuidor y espera que te aprueben
- Entrega tu equipo de gas al distribuidor
- Compra tu nuevo equipo electrico con descuento del distribuidor



[AQMD.gov/LawnGarden](https://AQMD.gov/LawnGarden)

### Vale incentivo del proyecto equipo limpio todo terreno de California (CORE)

- Escoje tu equipo del catalogo
- Contacta distribuidor aprobado en el catalogo
- Manda tu vale al distribuidor y espera que te aprueben
- Compra equipo electrico con descuento del distribuidor



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