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**[LIBRARY NAME] JOINS NASA FOR *OUR PLANET: EARTH***

**WHAT** **[LIBRARY NAME]** is pleased to announce that it will join other libraries across the country to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day and Citizen Science Month all throughout the month of April 2020! Our library is partnering with the Space Science Institute to host *Our Planet: EARTH* - thanks to our ongoing commitment to provide hands-on science programming for our community.

**WHEN** The **[LIBRARY NAME]** will offer programming events on **[DATE OF ACTUAL PROGRAMS]** featuring citizen science and earth science topics for children, teens and adults in our community. For a calendar of related programs, visit **[WEBSITE**]. **[Earth Day takes place on Saturday, April 22nd, 2020]** The **[LIBRARY NAME]** is open **[LIBRARY HOURS]**.

**WHERE** **[LIBRARY NAME AND ADDRESS]**

**WHY** With an emphasis on earth science and environmental sustainability, *Our Planet: EARTH* will play an important role by focusing on positive actions that local communities can make such as planting trees, recycling efforts, protecting species and their habitats, safeguarding clean air and water, and engaging in a variety of citizen science projects. Citizen science engages volunteers in the collection and analysis of data relating to the natural world, typically as part of a collaborative project with professional scientists. Alongside resources from partner organizations such as NASA, SciStarter, and GLOBE Observer, citizen scientists of all ages can make amazing discoveries, inspire new projects, and help learners of all ages do real scientific research. To be truly sustainable, our community embodies practices that are environmentally sensible, economically viable, and socially equitable.

**WHO [LIBRARY NAME]** is collaborating with the *STAR Library Network* and its *NASA@ My Library* program, providing resources and STEM activities to libraries across the nation. *STAR Net* is managed by the Space Science Institute. Its partners include NASA, the American Library Association, SciStarter, and GLOBE Mission Earth. *NASA@ My Library* is supported by NASA’s Science Mission Directorate.

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