

**From:** [David Lowell](#)  
**To:** [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Continuing the conversation with Quiet Clean Croton  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 5, 2026 3:34:14 PM

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I'm unable to make the meeting tomorrow but I wanted to share a few things with you as a group.

We'd like to thank the Village, DPW and CAC for putting on the Earth Day festivities and for having us.

We had great interest for our initiative, collected pages of signatures in support and received many thanks for "doing something" about this issue.

Speaking with our Village representatives as well as Senator Harckham and Assemblymember Levenberg was an affirmation that we are doing the right thing for public health in Croton.

We'd like Mayor Pugh and the Board of Trustees to hear from the mayor of a town that successfully transitioned away from the noise and air pollution that is gasoline powered leaf blowers and chose public health as a priority.

These words are from Maplewood, NJ mayor Nancy Adams. Underlines are mine.

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I am currently mayor of Maplewood, New Jersey.

We started with a pilot and that banned gas leaf blowers for the summer. And then when residents came to say to us, why are these dirty pieces of equipment ever good and why should they ever be permitted?

We unanimously agreed and passed a full year ban, effective January 1st, 2023. So now nearly three years later, Maplewood looks as beautiful as ever, if not better.

Landscapers have adapted by mulchmowing and modifying their methods, resulting in healthier lawns and lower municipal leaf collection costs.

Large properties have also learned that not every leaf needs to be blown. Nature is not the enemy. Leaving the leaves where they fall helps restore soil health, provides habitat, protects pollinators, all while reducing unnecessary labor and gas blower use, which saves both homeowners and landscaping companies money and time.

So as you move forward, you'll hear familiar objections.

“Battery equipment isn't ready yet.  
Workers can't do their jobs efficiently  
or their properties will look unkempt.”

None of that is proven true. Commercial grade battery blowers are effective, durable, and improving every year.

What's needed most is your leadership and commitment to the community's health and environmental responsibility. Gas blowers have proven damage to health of residents, workers, animals, and pollinators.

The question is no longer if they're harmful. It's whether we prioritize people's health over convenience and industry pressure. So we've just chosen to do so and we've never looked back, and I can read a book on my porch now and life is much better. Thank you.

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Thanks for reading and I'll be at the next Trustee meeting as well as the next CAC meeting on the 26th.

Dave, Tom, and Dan  
Quiet Clean Croton

**From:** [Carol Seaver](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Gas powered lawn blowers  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 11:35:30 AM

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They are an insult to the ears and a hazard to their operators. Ban them

**From:** [Emily Villar](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Gas-powered leaf blower ban  
**Date:** Saturday, May 2, 2026 2:28:19 PM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

As another otherwise lovely and peaceful Spring afternoon is yet again marred by the noise pollution coming from my neighbors relentless use of his gas-powered leaf blower, I am writing to implore you to please ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton-on-Hudson year round. They produce dangerous noise levels and significant air pollution. Many other Westchester towns have already enacted bans, and battery-powered alternatives are widely available and effective.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Emily Villar

**From:** [Tom Smith](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Friday, April 17, 2026 11:17:51 AM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

Now that the seasonal gas-powered leaf blower ban has been lifted we're subject to the ear-splitting, toxic, gas-powered noise and smell again. And the fear that we're being poisoned.

I bike around town almost every day. In Harmon, I often run into 2, sometimes 3 different groups of landscape companies using GPLBs. The thick dust in the air, the fumes, the smell, and noise are so strong that I have to cover my mouth and nose to get through it, until I meet the next group of GPLB operators on another street.

That's just one example of how we're all being subjected to this craziness. If that's happening in one neighborhood on one day, think about how much damage is being done to the whole community!

Please ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton-on-Hudson. They produce dangerous noise levels and significant air pollution. Dobbs Ferry, Mamaroneck, Rye, Irvington, Larchmont, and White Plains have full time bans. Battery-powered alternatives are widely available and effective.

Please consider a year-round ordinance to protect our community.

Tom

Tom Smith Design  
[tomsmithdesign.com](http://tomsmithdesign.com)

**From:** [Gabriella Mirabelli](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Gas-powered leaf blowers: request for a village ordinance  
**Date:** Monday, April 20, 2026 1:29:46 PM

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This morning, I was walking toward the Silver Lake trail when a landscaper used a gas-powered leaf blower to clear debris off his truck and equipment. Not leaves. Debris. Off a truck. A broom would have taken thirty seconds.

This is what the tool has become: reflexive, indiscriminate noise. Sidewalks outside the Cow and other village establishments get the same treatment, though a broom would do the job quietly and just as well.

Every spring and fall, gas-powered blowers fill our streets for months. Residents cannot open a window, sit in their yards, or hold a conversation outdoors without being overwhelmed by engine noise and exhaust. That is not a minor inconvenience. It is a sustained degradation of daily life across the village.

Communities throughout Westchester have already moved to require battery-powered equipment for landscaping, and the transition has proven workable for contractors and residents alike. Croton should be among them.

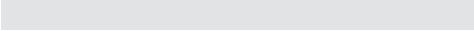
I am asking the Board to consider an ordinance restricting or prohibiting gas-powered leaf blowers in the village. The quality-of-life benefit would be immediate and felt by every resident.

Thank you for your attention to this.

Regards,  
Gabriella Mirabelli

**From:** [David Lowell](#)  
**To:** [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Health impact to workers  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 12, 2026 10:26:22 AM  
**Attachments:** [Leaf Blower operator.jpeg](#)  
[leaf-storm.jpg](#)

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It's not just the citizens that are seriously at risk from gas leaf blowers, the workers more so.

Do you think these employers are paying for health insurance? I rarely see ear or nose/mouth protection.

Feels like they are being exploited, like us and our kids, by the landscaping industry.

Let's make the change, for everybody.

Impacts on Landscape Workers	
Leaf Blower operator	

The operators of gas leaf blowers are exposed to the same long list of health risks as residents, **but at much higher levels**. At “ground zero,” the worker faces extremely high concentrations of carbon monoxide and particulate matter and extreme and prolonged noise exposure. Their risk of developing cancer is potentially double. \*

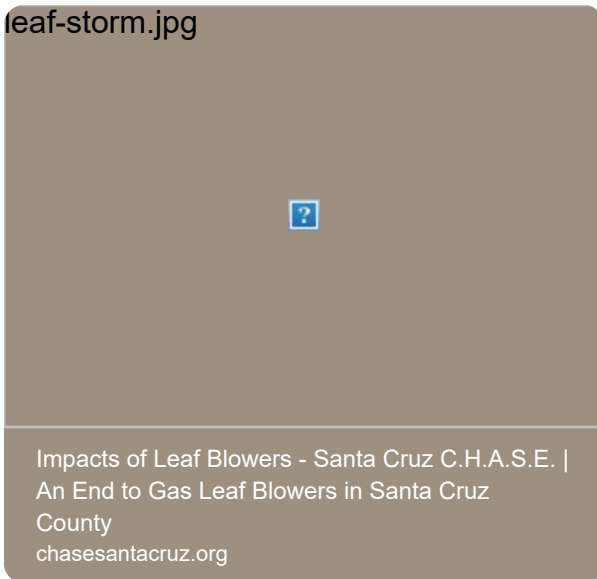
Landscape workers face unequal burdens cleaning our yards and parks, and often, limited economic options. Requiring their employers to switch to cleaner equipment is a matter of basic equity, workplace safety, health, and [environmental justice](#) and it’s long overdue.

“Switching to battery-powered blowers and weed whips was the best thing I could have done for my workers.” -Arturo Valdivia, Public Services Supervisor, City of Coronado

\*Source: CA Air Resources Board, 2018

This entire article is full of information. It might be wise of you to read it or at least skim through it.

leaf-storm.jpg



Looking forward to our next meeting May 20!

Dave  
Quiet Clean Croton

**From:** [NedRust](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Cc:** [Quiet Clean Croton](#)  
**Subject:** Please ban Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers year-round in Croton  
**Date:** Friday, May 15, 2026 7:36:39 PM

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You guys care about home values, yes? You know what crashes out a real estate agent's pitch like nothing else? GAS POWERED LEAFBLOWERS. That's what. The perfect young family about to move in and they're on the fence between here and Irvington and . . . 83 decibels of 2-cycle turbine discharge next door from the helicopter people who work all day in the city and have a vacation home on the Vineyard and believe in having full-time servants because they think they're secretly royalty and that their lawn should look like a convention center carpet even though they're hardly ever here. Come on. Let's get these 1980s-technology relics out of here. It'll be better for the environment, it'll be better for the leaf-fighter's cardiovascular health, it'll be better for the economy. This should not even be a debate at this point. And anybody says a ban would be taking jobs away from yard care companies . . . Tell them to have their employees use rakes like we human beings did 40 years ago. Sure, it'll take a bit longer to use a rake. And therefore--guess what!!--they'll get paid more. Because, unlike the fancy people living off investment income who hire them (and can afford the upcharge), yardcare workers get paid by the hour. Or the company will invest in battery-powered equipment. Which at least is quieter. Even though the sourcing of those things is fraught and boy do we have an e-waste issue growing out there . . .

And for any home owners that have gas blowers, give 'em a coupon for your awesome ebikeshare program. And tell them they can save on their gym membership anyhow. Because, like their parents and grandparents and great grandparents and . . . they can actually get some exercise and enjoy the beautiful *sounds* of their property.

Anyhow, I know the village admin takes great pride in compromise--and that's important--but this is not one of those issues where there are two valid sides to the issue.

Please. We have enough insanity going on around us without stamping out this easy one right in front of us.

Thanks for your good work & attention.

Ned Rust  
Morningside Drive  
Harmon

**From:** [Thomas Murray](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Possible gas-powered leaf blower ban...  
**Date:** Monday, May 11, 2026 9:04:54 AM

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I am writing to add my voice of support for a more restrictive gas-powered leaf blower ban that is currently under discussion.

I live in a section of the Village surrounded by several large properties (more than 1 acre). There is seldom a morning during the growing season without the sound of gas-powered blowers operated by landscape companies. My neighbors and I who maintain our own properties have all transitioned to battery-powered blowers, and are very pleased with the results: reduced noise-level without sacrificing performance. It would be great if this was a more widely-accepted solution, something I think a more restrictive usage policy by the Village would encourage. It seems this would also be in line the greener policies the Village has been adopting over the past decade or so.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. I am available for follow-up questions or conversation, if needed.

-tom

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Thomas Murray

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**From:** [Scott Levine](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:27:08 AM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

Please ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton-on-Hudson. Unambiguously and with absolutely no exceptions of any kind whatsoever, regardless of property size, intended property use, or owner, or any other factor.

They produce dangerous noise levels and significant air pollution. Plus, they reduce the quality of life for our entire community. As I write this, there are two different landscaping companies in my community using gas-powered leaf-blowers within a short distance of my home. Irvington, Larchmont, and White Plains have already enacted bans. Battery-powered alternatives are widely available and effective. Thank you for your consideration.

Scott Levine

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Scott Levine

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**From:** [Doreen Moscoco](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Sunday, May 10, 2026 2:41:43 PM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

I'm a Croton resident and I'm asking the village to pass a full ban on gas-powered leaf blowers. Irvington, Larchmont, and Dobbs Ferry have already done it. It's time for Croton to join them.

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Gmail](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Sunday, May 10, 2026 2:41:42 PM

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\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\*

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

My elderly parents and young nephew live in Croton and I'm asking the village to pass a full ban on gas-powered leaf blowers. Irvington, Larchmont, and Dobbs Ferry have already done it. It's time for Croton to join them.

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [John and Sara Gaenzler](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Sunday, May 10, 2026 2:39:17 PM

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Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Jane Parkhouse](#)  
**To:** [Board of Trustees](#); [Bryan Healy](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2026 10:46:01 AM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

It's time to ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton. They exceed 100 decibels, spread toxic particulate matter, and harm the health of residents, children, and pets. Other Westchester communities have already made the switch to electric equipment without issue. Please take action on this.

Sincerely,  
Jane Parkhouse

**From:** [Christine Banta](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2026 10:19:39 AM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

It's time to ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton. They exceed 100 decibels, spread toxic particulate matter, and harm the health of residents, children, and pets. Other Westchester communities have already made the switch to electric equipment without issue.

Please take action on this. I have asked many of my neighbors on Olcott and Radnor to 1) observe the summertime ban, which they refuse to do 2) remind their landscapers that they need to use electric devices in the summer. They just ignore this!

Please at minimum, enforce the actual regulations we've had in place for over 3 years! If one simply drives around Croton on a Sat in spring and summer, you will be residents and landscapers using these very loud gas powered devices in their postage stamp sized properties!

Thank you,  
Christine Banta

60 Olcott Ave  
COH

**From:** [Otto Barz](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2026 10:05:48 AM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

Please ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton-on-Hudson. They produce dangerous noise levels and significant air pollution. Irvington, Larchmont, and White Plains have already enacted bans. Battery-powered alternatives are widely available and effective.

Thank you for your consideration.

**From:** [Kathryn Mahoney](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 29, 2026 9:59:14 AM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,  
Please ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton-on-Hudson. They produce dangerous noise levels and significant air pollution. Irvington, Larchmont, and White Plains have already enacted bans. Battery-powered alternatives are widely available and effective.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Kat Mahoney  
9 King St

**From:** [Mark C. Mitchell](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 28, 2026 6:51:45 PM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

Please ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton-on-Hudson. They produce dangerous noise levels and significant air pollution. Irvington, Larchmont, and White Plains have already enacted bans. Battery-powered alternatives are widely available and effective.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sent from Mark's iPhone

**From:** [Richard Ortega](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Saturday, April 25, 2026 9:18:54 AM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees, Every spring and fall, gas-powered leaf blowers fill our streets with deafening noise and harmful exhaust. Communities across Westchester have shown that switching to battery-powered equipment is feasible and beneficial. Croton should join them. Please consider an ordinance to protect our residents.

R.Ortega

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**From:** [Jim Levey](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Friday, April 24, 2026 12:32:49 PM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

Gas-powered leaf blowers make it impossible to enjoy our own yards, open a window, or have a conversation outdoors for months at a time. This isn't a minor inconvenience. It degrades daily life for every resident. A ban would immediately improve quality of life across the village.

Please make this a priority.

Jim Levey  
10 Park Ave COH

**From:** [Amy Goldsmith](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Friday, April 24, 2026 7:29:27 AM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

Please ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton-on-Hudson. They produce dangerous noise levels and significant air pollution. Irvington, Larchmont, and White Plains have already enacted bans. Battery-powered alternatives are widely available and effective.

Thank you for your consideration.

**From:** [Josh Deutchman](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 12:24:42 PM

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\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\*

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

It's time to ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton. They exceed 100 decibels, spread toxic particulate matter, and harm the health of residents, children, and pets. Other Westchester communities have already made the switch to electric equipment without issue.

Please take action on this.

**From:** [Ann Larkin](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 12:00:47 PM

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Thank you for your consideration.

Ann Larkin

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Danny Ferguson](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 11:55:38 AM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

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Thank you for your consideration.

-Danny Ferguson  
2 Alexander lane

**From:** [John MacLean](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 8:41:26 AM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

Every spring and fall, gas-powered leaf blowers fill our streets with deafening noise and harmful exhaust. Communities across Westchester have shown that switching to battery-powered equipment is feasible and beneficial. Croton should join them.

Please consider an ordinance to protect our residents.

**From:** [Sarah Lawson](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 8:13:05 AM

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Dear Bryan and Board,

Writing to you in support of Quiet Clean Croton's gas-powered leaf blower initiative. Please ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton-on-Hudson. They produce dangerous noise levels and significant air pollution. Irvington, Larchmont, and White Plains have already enacted bans. Battery-powered alternatives are widely available and effective.

I'd also love for the board to consider creating and enforcing rules about using high-powered gas blowers (which are stronger than battery-powered blowers) to throw leaves and soil into wooded areas, which raises the risk of growing our already dangerous tick populations. There doesn't seem to be much we can do about street-side leaf accumulation, but as long as the village comes often to pick those up, my family and I are less concerned on that front.

Thank you for your consideration.

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**From:** [Nicole Greenfield](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 8:10:40 AM  
**Attachments:** [IMG\\_9850.jpeg](#)

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

It's time to ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton.

They exceed 100 decibels, spread toxic particulate matter, and harm the health of residents, children, and pets.

When landscaping crews come to my village street (several times a week in spring and summer), I have to close up all of my windows to avoid letting the fumes and particulate matter in my house—fumes and pollution that linger long after the work is done. The noise also disrupts important work meetings and my concentration and, frequently, the peace and quiet my family deserves to enjoy of weekends (between sports and other activities).

Other Westchester communities have already made the switch to electric equipment without issue. There's no reason Croton can't do the same—and it should, especially since the village considers itself a leader on climate and other environmental issues.

I was in Dobbs Ferry yesterday and noticed this banner (attached). The village seems proud of its ban. Croton can be too.

I ask that you please take decisive action on this. Partial bans are inadequate.

Thank you,  
Nicole



**From:** [Adam Rieger](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 23, 2026 8:07:22 AM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

The people most harmed by gas-powered leaf blowers are the landscaping workers who operate them all day without hearing protection. A ban protects workers, residents, and our local environment in one practical step. The technology exists. We just need the policy.

Thank you for considering this.

Regards,  
Adam Rieger

**From:** [Michael Cummings](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 22, 2026 10:30:10 AM

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Thank you for your consideration.

Mike Cummings  
226 Cleveland Dr

**From:** [Richard Grimaldi](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2026 5:27:19 PM

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Thank you for your consideration.

**From:** [Dave Baker](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Cc:** [Daniel Cummings](#); [Tom Smith](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 21, 2026 7:33:51 AM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

I am writing to urge the Village of Croton-on-Hudson to adopt a ban on gas-powered leaf blowers — a practical, overdue step that would meaningfully improve the health of our residents, our wildlife, and our shared environment.

I speak from direct professional experience: I own and operate Plan it Wild, a local ecological restoration and landscape maintenance company. We perform all of our work without gas-powered equipment. Battery-electric alternatives are not only available — they are effective, quieter, and increasingly affordable. A ban is workable and the transition is achievable, especially in a silver level, Climate Smart Community.

But a ban alone is only part of the solution. I'd also ask the Board to consider supporting a community education effort around what we do with our leaves in the first place. "Yard waste" is a misnomer — fallen leaves are habitat. They shelter overwintering insects, protect soil, decrease runoff, and feed the decomposers that make our gardens thrive. When we blow leaves off our properties and into the street, we strip away the very material that supports pollinators like bees and butterflies, whose populations are in serious decline.

There are simple, accessible alternatives: mulching leaves in place, creating leaf piles in corners of the yard, and reducing the impulse to "clean up" what nature intended to stay put. If Croton invested in helping residents understand these practices, we would see healthier yards, healthier waterways, and healthier wildlife — alongside quieter streets.

I would welcome the chance to present to the Board, share resources, or contribute to any working group on this issue. This is a change that aligns with who Croton already is — a community that values its trees, its river, and its beautiful natural character.

Thank you for your consideration and your service to our village.

Respectfully,

PLAN it WILD  
David R. Baker  
Co-Founder & COO

**From:** [Christine OConnor](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Sunday, April 19, 2026 1:09:29 PM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

I'm asking the Village to ban gas-powered leaf blowers. They are a serious source of noise and toxic emissions in our neighborhoods, posing health risks to operators and bystanders alike. This is a practical step that aligns with Croton's values. I hope the Board will act.

Thanks  
Christine O'Connor  
64 grand street.

**From:** [Christine Cheng](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Saturday, April 18, 2026 8:06:16 PM

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Thank you for your consideration.

**From:** [Jayne Whitman](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Friday, April 17, 2026 3:41:31 PM

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Jayne Whitman

**From:** [Ann-Marie Beals](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Friday, April 17, 2026 11:49:34 AM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

Please ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton-on-Hudson. They produce dangerous noise levels and significant air pollution. Irvington, Larchmont, and White Plains have already enacted bans. Battery-powered alternatives are widely available and effective.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ann-Mare  
6 Aschmann Ln

**From:** [Daniel Cummings](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Friday, April 17, 2026 9:30:30 AM

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\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\*

Dear Croton Village Manager, Board of Trustees,

Why don't we have a full ban on gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton?

They produce constant, irritating, dangerous noise at over 100 decibels.

They spread toxic fumes and particulates (constantly throwing well-documented poisons into our air), and harm the health of residents, especially our children.

Many other forward-thinking Westchester communities have already made the switch to electric equipment without issue - let's learn from them!

Please take action on this issue now.

Thank you,  
Daniel Cummings  
3 Aschmann Lane  
Croton-On-Hudson, NY

**From:** [Susana Moscoso](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 16, 2026 1:23:13 PM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

This morning I enjoyed a beautiful run through our village, as I do each and every day. I ran up Lounsbury past our beautiful and tranquil Kaplan's Pond, through our shady, green Jane E. Lytle Arboretum, and out onto Hixon Road. I could hear the spring birds calling - Northern Flickers, Red-winged Blackbirds, Blue Jays - and absolute treasure of a run.

However, when I got to Glengary, at the corner near the Temple, 3 gas powered leaf blowers were in use at a residence blowing the street. Two were the backpack style blower, and the other was a large industrial machine being pushed. The volume of particulate matter and choking fumes these three machines were producing, in addition to the sheer noise emitted by these machines was absolutely shocking.

Not only did this encounter destroy the peace and tranquility of our village on a beautiful spring morning, the environmental, health and public safety that was compromised by their use is inexcusable. As a runner who has asthma, I had to hold my breath running uphill to avoid the carbon monoxide and dust being blown. I couldn't hear the two cars that were behind me as a result of the noise.

Croton takes pride in being a progressive village, particularly related to sustainability projects. However, to allow use of gas-powered leaf blowers cancels out any environmental stewardship this village claims.

I am asking the Village to act with the health of our environment, current residents and future generations of Crotonites in mind by banning gas-powered leaf blowers.

I hope the Board will act.

Best regards,

Susana Moscoso

**From:** [Max Bluestein](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 16, 2026 12:14:04 PM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees, It's time to ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton. They exceed 100 decibels, spread toxic particulate matter, and harm the health of residents, children, and pets. Other Westchester communities have already made the switch to electric equipment without issue. Please take action on this.

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**From:** [Jessica Miller-Smith](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Thursday, April 16, 2026 11:47:16 AM

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\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\*

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

It's high time to ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton. They exceed 100 decibels, spread toxic particulate matter, and harm the health of all of us. I run in and around Croton almost every day, and I can tell you from experience that the air quality in our town is significantly worse (I would say downright bad) when leaf blowers start running.

The gas-powered blowers are outdated and completely unnecessary. Other Westchester communities have already made the switch to electric equipment without issue.

Please take action on this. It's really important. Thank you.

Jessica Miller-Smith

**From:** [Brenda Kosara](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 15, 2026 11:33:28 AM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

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Thank you for your consideration.

**From:** [Matt Kosara](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Saturday, April 11, 2026 5:53:11 PM

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Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

It's time to ban gas-powered leaf blowers in Croton. They exceed 100 decibels, spread toxic particulate matter, and harm the health of residents, children, and pets. Other Westchester communities have already made the switch to electric equipment without issue.

Please take action on this.

- Matt

**From:** [David Lowell](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Friday, April 10, 2026 5:15:54 PM

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\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\*

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

I'm asking the Village to ban gas-powered leaf blowers. They are a serious source of noise and toxic emissions in our neighborhoods, posing health risks to operators and bystanders alike. This is a practical step that aligns with Croton's values.

I hope the Board will act.

**From:** [Tanja Levine](#)  
**To:** [Bryan Healy](#); [Board of Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Banning Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers in Croton  
**Date:** Saturday, May 16, 2026 9:35:54 AM

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**\*\*\*CAUTION: External sender.\*\*\***

Dear Village Manager and Board of Trustees,

I'm a Croton resident and I'm asking the village to pass a full ban on gas-powered leaf blowers. Irvington, Larchmont, and Dobbs Ferry have already done it. It's time for Croton to join them.

Thank you  
Tanja Levine