

Green Commitment Pledge

We all have the potential to make a difference – as individuals and as members of the community. By making small changes in our normal routines, we can make a profound impact. Residents are encouraged to take the Green Commitment Pledge to help their in its efforts to conserve resources for future generations.

Choose two or more behaviors from the categories listed below.

I, _____ pledge to:

Energy

- Apply for a home energy audit, courtesy of my utility company
- Adjust the thermostat at home- turn down the heat/AC when you are out for the day
- Install a programmable thermostat
- Turn off the lights and unplug the chargers
- Use compact fluorescent bulbs
- Wash clothes in warm or cold water
- Walk, bike, or take the bus
- Plug leaks around doors and windows
- Unplug computer, chargers, stereo, and television when not in use
- Never leave a light on in an empty room

Water

- Carry your own water instead of buying bottled
- Don't leave the water running
- Take shorter showers
- Only run the dishwasher when it is full

Waste

- Use a reusable mug and dishes
- Participate in your city recycling program
- Buy recycled paper
- Use cloth towels instead of paper towels
- Double-side all copies and print jobs
- Dispose of batteries and computer equipment according to EPA recommendations
- Avoid plastics (use glass and metal)
- Start a compost bin
- Avoid products with excessive packaging

Food

- Choose local, seasonal produce
- Buy organic
- Go meatless one day per week
- Reduce food waste
- Bring your own grocery bags when you shop

Your Own Idea

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