



Ten things *you* can do to help the planet this Earth Day and beyond

1. **Reduce/Reuse**

- Reuse your U-Store bags or bring your backpack to the store.
- Take utensils back to Frist so they have to use less plasticware.
- Bring a reusable mug the next time you go to the coffee shop.
- When you move out for the summer, donate your furniture to charity rather than throwing it away.

2. **Recycle:** According to *Delicious Living*, "recycling 1 ton of paper saves 17 35-foot-tall trees, enough oil for a drive from Dallas to Los Angeles, enough energy to power the average home for six months, and landfill space as large as a full-size pickup truck."



- If you're missing recycling bins in your room, contact Building Services (8-8000).
- Use 100% post-consumer-waste recycled paper (printing double-sided, of course!).

3. **Drive less and more efficiently**

- Walk, bike, or take public transit instead of driving
- Carpool and choose energy-efficient cars.

4. **Save energy**

- Turn off the light when leaving any room.
- Turn down the heat or AC.
- Buy compact florescent light bulbs.
- Set your computer monitor to go to sleep after 5-10 minutes without use.



5. **Buy/choose eco-friendly food**

- In the grocery store or at restaurants, buy organic and eco-friendly.
- In the dining halls, choose organic cereals and eco-friendly seafood (green dots).



6. **Take action online**

- Click on The Rainforest Site (therainforestsites.com), and companies will donate money to save rainforests.
- Sign an online petition, like those available from Environmental Defense (environmentaldefense.org), the National Resource Defense Council (nrdc.org), and the Wildlife Conservation Society (wcs.org).



7. **Take action offline**

- Write a letter to a representative on an issue like global warming.
- Vote!



8. **Donate**

- Donate time or money to an organization like the Nature Conservancy (nature.org), World Wildlife Fund (worldwildlife.org), or the organizations mentioned in #6.

9. **Tell a friend** and spread the word about everything on this list.

10. **Volunteer**

- Join Princeton Environmental Action or Water Watch

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