

EARTH DAY

PRACTICES TO CELEBRATE EVERYDAY

Celebrate Earth Day everyday by implementing a set of practices that support the environment and improve our community.

Reduce, reuse, and recycle are the core principles of sustainability. Using resources wisely can reduce landfill waste, energy consumption, and pollution. Small changes in your everyday life can have a big impact on the long term.

Contributing to your community is also a great way to celebrate earth day. You can buy local to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support your local economy. Let's not forget that nature is part of our community and providing wildlife habitats is beneficial for people as well. Native plants support birds and pollinators but they also require less water, fertilizer, and pesticide, which also improve soil conditions and water quality.



SUSTAINABILITY CHECKLIST

- Follow recycling guidelines to avoid contaminating the recycling stream.
- Reduce your household waste. Use reusable water bottles, straws, cloth napkins, and bags.
- Avoid excessive packaging. Use package-free food, bar soap & shampoo, and laundry soap sheets.
- Drive less and walk, bike, or use public transportation more.
- Compost food and yard waste.
- Plant your own fruit and vegetable garden.
- Buy local, organic food from your grocer or local farmer's market.
- Plant a native garden to provide food and habitat for wildlife.
- Reduce the amount of storm water that drains into our lakes and rivers. Build a rain garden, redirect downspouts, and install a rain barrel.
- Support environmental organizations. Volunteer, participate in citizen science programs, and donate.

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