

Take action in your **home!**

Switch your energy provider to green power. Electricity generation accounts for about 1/3 of global emissions. Learn more at PowerYourWay.com.

Turn off/Unplug lights, ceiling fans, ACs, appliances, computers, and chargers when not in use. Stopping the flow of standby energy could save 6–25% on your monthly energy bill. For more ideas, visit “energy-saving tips” on ConEd.com.

Rethink your diet. Meat requires a high amount of energy to produce a small amount of usable energy as food. To learn more about healthy food choices, visit GoVeg.com.

Recycle glass, plastic, metal and all paper. New Yorkers throw away an average of 4.5 pounds of trash per day. Learn about all the different things you can recycle at RecycleThisNYC.org.

Visit highwaterline.org for more tips!

Take action in your **business!**

Ask your business to do its part through reducing waste and recycling. The majority of waste generated at work can be reduced, reused or recycled. Learn more at NYC.gov/html/nycwasteless.

Get the necessary tools to green your office: bike racks, mugs, plates & glasses, recycling bins, green office supplies, and green cleaning supplies. Learn more about greening your business at NRDC.org/cities/living/gbusiness.asp.

Reduce the impact of commuting to work. With increased congestion on the streets of New York, our mass transportation system provides a more sustainable method of getting to work. Your employer can provide you savings on your commute by subscribing to TransitChek—transitcenter.com.

Encourage your business to buy green power. Electricity generation accounts for about 1/3 of global emissions. Learn more at PowerYourWay.com.

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Take action in your **community!**

Reduce trash. Use a reusable bag for all shopping (not just grocery) and purchase items with less packaging. A full list of ideas is at NewYorkCity.Earth911.org under “Green Shopping Tips.”

Compost your food waste, either at home or a local drop off point. The average NYC household discards two pounds of organic waste per day. Compost provides a rich resource for beautifying local parks and gardens. Go to GreenAppleMap.org/page/compost to learn how and where to recycle.

Buy local. Take advantage of farmer’s markets and community supported agriculture. Industrial farms use energy in the production, packing and shipping of food. To find a market near you check LocalHarvest.org

Join an advocacy group to learn more about how you can fight climate change. For a comprehensive list of local organizations, check out HighWaterLine.org/resources.html.

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Take action in your **government!**

Speak up! Use the included postcards to tell your representatives why you care about climate change. Learn more about environmental legislation and issues at EnvironmentalDefense.org.

Attend community meetings to advocate for better transit, traffic calming, more parks, bike and pedestrian friendly roads and sustainable development. To find your local community board, select “community boards” on NYC.gov/html/cau.

Support legislation to cut emissions and reduce trash including carbon reduction, increased recycling and waste reduction, congestion pricing, improved transit and dense housing. Learn more about current local legislation at NYC.gov/2030.

Solicit your representatives for improved transit, more greenway, priority for bikes and pedestrians, sustainable and local based development. Find your representatives at Vote-Smart.org and NYC.gov.

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Take action in your school!

Ask your school to do its part through reducing waste and recycling. The majority of waste generated at school can be reduced, reused or recycled. Learn more at [NYC.gov/html/nycwasteless](https://www.nyc.gov/html/nycwasteless).

Campaign for cleaner buses. Most buses run on diesel, learn about cleaner fuels and get your school to switch. You can get facts and information by checking out [NRDC.org/GreenSquad](https://www.nrdc.org/GreenSquad).

Eat better foods in your cafeteria. Join forces with other students to encourage your school to provide healthy and sustainable foods in your cafeteria. Learn more about improving your food at [SustainableTable.org](https://www.SustainableTable.org).

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