



# Green your Home



- Replace inefficient incandescent light bulbs with energy star bulbs – reduce your carbon footprint by **450 pounds a year**
- Car pool, use public transportation or drive a fuel efficient car – reduce your carbon footprint by **1 pound for every mile you do not drive**
- **Plant a tree** because trees suck up carbon dioxide and make clean air for us to breath
- Run your dishwasher only when it's full
- Buy **Energy Star** appliances
- Clean or replace dirty air conditioner filters as recommended
- Weatherize and insulate your home, and consider double pane windows
- Move your heater thermostat down two degrees in winter and up two degrees in the summer – **reduce your carbon footprint by 2,000 pounds**
- Keep your tires properly inflated and get better gas mileage – reduce your carbon footprint another **20 pounds for each gallon of gas saved**
- Use a low-flow showerhead because the less water you use, the less energy required to heat the water – **reduce your carbon footprint 350 pounds a year**
- Use cold water to wash your clothes – **reduce your carbon footprint by 500 pounds a year**
- Buy locally and reduce the amount of energy required to drive your products to your store
- Buy products with less packaging and recycle paper, plastic and glass – reduce your garbage by 10% and you'll **reduce your carbon footprint by 1,200 pounds a year**
- Keep your water heater insulated and the **thermostat no higher than 120°F**
- Turn off what you're not using and even unplug electronics you're not using – **reduce your carbon footprint by thousands of pounds a year**
- Buy **organic food** because the chemicals used in modern agriculture pollute the water supply, and require energy to produce
- Change your car's air filter regularly