

# **Earth Day: Making Every Day Count**

As we celebrate Earth Day, let's not limit our efforts to just one day. Here are some tips to help make real sustainable changes and reduce your environmental impact:

## **Cutting Back on Our Carbon Footprint:**

Reduce energy consumption by turning off lights, unplugging electronics, and us ing energy efficient appliances.

If possible opt for public transportation, carpooling, or biking to reduce emissions from per sonal vehicles.

### **Be Water Wise:**

Fix leaky taps promptly.
Collect rainwater for gardening.
Use water-saving appliances and fixtures.

## **Avoid Plastic Packaging:**

Bring reusable bags to the grocery store. Choose products with minimal or no plastic packaging. Say no to single-use plastics like straws and utensils.

#### **Grow Your Own Food:**

Even a small balcony or windowsill can be used for growing herbs or vegetables. Homegrown produce is fresher and reduces the need for transportation.

#### **Create a Bee-Friendly Garden:**

Plant native flowers and flowering herbs.

Bees play a crucial role in pollination and maintaining biodiversity.

## **Upgrade Your Home:**

Increase energy efficiency in your home by retrofitting with solar panels, improving insulation or replacing old windows or doors.

Remember, every small change counts! By adopting these sustainable practices, you contribute to a healthier planet for all of us.

And if you're considering home improvements, don't forget about our Credit Union Green Loans designed to support eco-friendly upgrades!

