



GREATER LANSING AREA GO GREEN! PLEDGE

I pledge to take the following actions to reduce my own carbon footprint and help make Greater Lansing a greener place to live, work and play.

I will....

- ✓ **Bike, walk, carpool, or use public transportation to get to work one time per week.** *According to the Colorado-based Smart Trips Web site (www.smarttrips.org), a person who bikes 10 miles back and forth to work three times a week saves \$840 a year on gasoline, burns 54,000 calories and coughs out 76 fewer pounds of carbon dioxide emissions into the air.*
- ✓ **Replace 3 incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs immediately and replace all other incandescent bulbs with CFL's as they burn out.** *According to the EPA, if every home in America replaced just one incandescent light bulb with an Energy Star CFL, it would save enough energy to light more than 3 million homes and prevent greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to those of more than 800,000 cars annually.*
- ✓ **Use re-usable containers for water bottles, grocery bags, etc.** *According to the EPA, over 380 billion plastic bags, sacks and wraps are consumed in the U.S. each year.*
- ✓ **Unplug my cell phone chargers and turn off my computer when it's not in use.** *The New York Times states that 40 percent of all electricity used to power home electronics is consumed while the products are turned off.*
- ✓ **Participate in my community's recycling program.** *According to the E.P.A, recycling aluminum cans saves 95 percent of the energy required to make the same amount of aluminum from its virgin source, bauxite*

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