

**What can you do to reduce
the amount of plastic in the
world?**

**Especially single use
plastic!**

Check out www.earthday.org

Just a few of the issues there...

Plastic Pollution

Together we can tackle this global crisis!

Green Cities

Let's make the shift to green cities together to live more sustainable lives. From green buildings to the economy, around the world we need to make a change.

Campaign for Communities

Get local with solutions.

Climate Change

The time for real action and progress to address the climate change crisis is now.

Take the pledge @
<http://noplasticplease.net/take-action/>
or have your group become a pledge partner @
<http://noplasticplease.net/partners/>

- **Take action**

It's time to opt out of unnecessary single-use plastics. Take the No Plastic Please pledge and change your own plastic legacy.

- **Create your own SUP-Free Kit – take it with you!**

collapsible silicone take-out container, reusable nylon produce bag (inside take-out container), travel cutlery set (knife, fork, spoon, straw, chopsticks), fold-up tote, reusable water bottle

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Top 10 actions

1. Before ordering, just say "*no plastic please*"!
2. Bring your own shopping bag.
3. Carry a reusable water bottle.
4. Bring your own coffee cup.
5. Pack your lunch/leftovers in reusable containers.
6. Say NO to disposable straws & cutlery.
7. Skip the plastic produce bags.
8. Give up beverages in plastic bottles.
9. Pay attention to plastic packaging.
10. Share these tips with your friends.



Other things you can do:

Go to web sites...here are just a few

www.change.org Join the campaign to get Amazon to Offer Plastic-Free Packaging Options

<http://www.greeneducationfoundation.org/nationalgreenweeks-ub/waste-reduction-tips/tips-to-use-less-plastic.html>

<https://www.thoughtco.com/why-stop-using-plastic-bags-1204167>

<https://www.reefrelief.org/2013/01/51-ways-to-reduce-plastic-use-or-completely-eliminate-it/>

Let places you order from know when they do responsible packaging and when they do not!

these slides will be posted on www.evergreenconservancy.org,
<http://indiana.palwv.org/> and
www.sustainableindianacounty.org

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- A single plastic bag can take 1,000 years to degrade. Use a reusable produce bag and be sure to wash them often!
- Gum is made of a synthetic rubber, aka plastic.
- Buy boxes instead of bottles. products like laundry detergent come in cardboard which is more easily recycled than plastic.
- Purchase food, like cereal, pasta, and rice from bulk bins and fill a reusable bag or container.
- Use a reusable bottle or mug for your beverages, even when ordering from a to-go shop
- Bring your own container for take-out
- Use matches instead of disposable plastic lighters or invest in a refillable metal lighter.

More...

- Check the frozen foods you buy -packaging is mostly plastic.
- Request restaurants do not pack plasticware in your take-out box.
- Ask grocers to take your plastic containers (for berries, tomatoes, etc.) back. If you shop at a farmers market they can refill it for you.
- The EPA estimates that 7.6 billion pounds of disposable diapers are discarded in the US each year. Use cloth diapers
- Make fresh squeezed juice or eat fruit instead of buying juice in plastic bottles.
- Make your own cleaning products that will be less toxic and eliminate the need for multiple plastic bottles of cleaner.
- Choose bulk items instead of products that come in single serving cups.
- Use a razor with replaceable blades instead of a disposable razor

We are going to collect plastic and build a bench

- Stay tuned for the details
- Start saving your plastic.

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BEFORE YOU BUY
OR USE
PLASSTIC!**

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