

Going Green With Your Own Energy Resources

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Abstract

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A good way to save money is to only turn on your dishwasher unless it is completely full. Don't run it with only a few dishes. You might be surprised by the number of dishes that you can be loaded into a dishwasher. Take the time out to properly inspect your refrigerator. Refrigerators take lots of energy to run, so making sure they're in working order is always good to know. Make certain to clean the dust from around heating coils. Make sure the door seal is clean and tight. Storm doors and storm windows help to better control airflow into a home. Storm doors and windows are good at cutting down on the cool air drafts that come in. Homes equipped with storm windows and doors can see an increase in their energy efficiency of up costing you a lot less on your utility bills. Dressing warmly can be a great way to cut energy and go green. A sweater that is heavy adds 4 more degrees of warmth, and a heavy sweater adds 4 degrees. You don't have to wear a t-shirt and shorts in your home, so wear a sweater!

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Learn the differences between passive and active solar power. While passive simply uses the sun to store thermal energy inside your walls to heat your house. Use a laptop rather than a desktop computer. Laptops use about 75% less electricity than desktops, especially during non-demanding tasks like surfing the web or word processing. The other benefit of using a laptop over a desktop is that it is portable, so you can use it anywhere! Avoid turning the heat in your home unless you have to. If you are cold, put on warmer clothes. Having the heat turned up too high will consume a great deal of energy.

A great way to save energy saving tip is to switch your boiler. Many old boilers were not made with saving energy in mind, whereas the newer ones tend to be much more energy-efficient. Newer boilers produce far less carbon dioxide as well as cut down the cost of your energy bills. Try using a toilet that saves water. Some estimates show that up to half of all the water used in a home is from the toilet. An older model uses 5 gallons of water per flush, 5 gallons versus 1.6 gallons, almost 70 per cent more. Green technology appliances can cost a bit more upfront, but your utility bills will be reduced. It will also one more positive impact on the environment.

Use automatic motion detection sensors on lights in your house. These sensors will automatically turn off the lights of rooms that are currently not in use, saving on energy and, and in the long run, lots of money. Remember to do the same thing with the lighting over

your garage, as well. You can also save money by installing a programmable thermostat that is programmable. These types of thermostats have settings to regulate the air temperature depending on whether it's winter or summer. They can also be programmed for day and night temperatures. A simple way to save energy is to thaw your frozen items in the refrigerator. This is a safer and cheaper way for thawing food that reduces the energy consumption of the refrigerator.

Though you may not have the option of whole-home supply through renewable energy, you can start by trying it on some areas of your home. For example, you could add panels that will only heat the water in your home, or use panels just to heat your pool. Automatic ice makers use more energy and usually break down. The seals on automatic ice makers are also prone to leaking, your freezer's internal temperature will rise. Avoid these issues altogether by making ice yourself. Bottled water is rarely anything more than tap water, and a lot of energy is used in the bottling process. If you want to drink tap water but don't trust the source, buy a metal water bottle that can be used over and over again, re-usable water bottle and use a filter that needs to be replaced every few months.

Use rainwater for your toilet. This saves you on your utilities and makes a good environmental impact. Start with one project and you'll be on the path to a greener life! You can easily help the environment and have an energy-efficient home by using these green energy tips. The money you save should be enough incentive already!