



Kids Can Save the World

A guide to what Charles County kids can do to save our planet...

What kind of world do you want when you grow up? Do you want it to be a world with clean water to drink, safe air to breathe and a healthy environment with abundant wildlife and beautiful trees? There's a lot of things you can do today that will protect your world tomorrow! Follow the A-B-C's and start saving the world today!

Adopt a stream, park or roadside to clean up and keep beautiful

Bring your lunch to school in a lunch box with reusable containers.

Care for your toys so they will last longer.

Donate clothes that you have outgrown to a needy person or someone smaller than you.

Encourage others to join you in collecting glass, newspaper, cans and plastic containers to be recycled.

Flatten empty cans, boxes and other containers so they don't take up so much space.

Get in the habit of turning off the water when you brush your teeth. Turn it on only to wet your brush and to rinse.

Help save paper by always using both sides.

Investigate labels and try to buy products in recyclable containers.

Jog, walk, skate or ride your bike from place to place to save energy.

Keep a jug of fresh water in the refrigerator so you won't have to run fresh water to get it cold.

Look for the recycled symbol on products you buy.

Make note pads from used pieces of scrap paper.

Never litter. Always put your trash in a trash can and recyclables in their bins.

Open the blinds in the winter to let in the sun for warmth. Close the blinds in the summer to keep out the warmth.

Plant a tree to stop soil erosion, give you shade and give birds a home.

Quit buying products that have a lot of packaging wrappings.

Reduce the amount of water you use to keep clean. Take showers, not baths.

Save energy by asking your parents to turn down the thermostat. A few degrees will save a lot of energy.

Turn off lights if you are the last person to leave a room. Turn off appliances if you are not using them.

Use products made to be used many times, such as sponges or cloth towels.

Value and appreciate the environment. Realize that you can make a difference, and be proud of your contribution.

Watch what you pour down the drain. Hazardous waste can get into ground water and pollute your drinking water.

Xamine labels before using products. Certain household cleaners can be dangerous.

You can learn more about the environment. Grow up to be an adult who takes active interest in the future.

Zip to close doors and windows if they are opened when the heater or air conditioner is on.



For more on Recycling, call Charles County Public Facilities Solid Waste 301-932-3569