



# Actions you can take for the climate

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Climate change is a complex challenge that can seem overwhelming. The solutions don't have to be. Collectively, Calgarians are making a difference. What actions will you start taking today? [1] to [5] shows the level of impact you can make.



## Home

- [1] Open/close window coverings seasonally
- [1] Draft-proof home
- [1] Program thermostat 17° C (night/away), 21° C (day)
- [1] Use fan instead of air conditioning
- [1] Install drain water heat recovery system
- [1] Install tankless on-demand water heater
- [1] Wash clothes in cold water
- [1] Hang clothes to dry
- [1] Use toaster oven for small meals
- [1] Install induction stove
- [1] Install low flow shower head
- [1] Install faucet aerators on taps
- [1] Leave grass clippings on lawn
- [1] Use a solar or push lawn mower
- [2] Use a French press instead of coffee maker
- [2] Change lightbulbs to LEDs
- [2] Upgrade to ENERGY STAR appliances
- [2] Install high efficiency furnace
- [2] Install geothermal exchange system
- [2] Install energy efficient windows
- [3] Insulate home
- [4] Install solar energy and photovoltaic system
- [4] Retrofit building envelope
- [5] Buy green power



## Transportation

- [1] Do not idle vehicle
- [1] Carpool or carshare
- [1] Keep vehicle maintained, drive smart
- [3] Drive an electric vehicle
- [3] Take public transit to work/school
- [3] Bike or walk to work/school
- [3] Telecommute



## Lifestyle

- [1] Grow own food, participate in community garden
- [1] Buy local
- [1] Turn off computer and monitor each day
- [1] Use reusable water bottle and coffee mug
- [3] Switch to vegetarian or vegan diet
- [3] Vacation locally (instead of international flight)
- [4] Work and play close to where you live



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