



## MINIMIZE YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT

Fossil fuel extraction and carbon emissions impact **species**, the places they live, and the people who depend on them around the world. By reducing the energy and fossil fuels you use, you are saving the environment from further damage.

- Buy energy efficient technology when you need a new dishwasher, refrigerator, computer, or car.
- Shut down appliances and devices like computers and DVD players rather than putting them on standby to save energy and cut down on energy bills. Use power strips to eliminate “wall warts” that consume power even when shut down.
- Switch to compact fluorescent light bulbs to save energy and money and cut down on waste. They last longer and provide the same soft light as regular lightbulbs. And the return on investment on a compact fluorescent light bulbs currently out-performs the stock market!
- Adjust your thermostat by just one or two degrees and put on a sweater in the winter to reduce your energy use. And make sure window and door seals are tight in cold months.
- Walk or bike to and from work, school, and home. Public transportation is another great way to get where you’re going without unduly harming the environment.
- Carpool and visit multiple destinations whenever you drive.