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A photograph of a misty forest path. The path is a narrow, winding trail of dark brown earth, leading from the foreground into the distance. It is flanked by lush green vegetation, including ferns and other forest plants. Tall, slender trees with thick trunks stand on either side of the path, their tops shrouded in a soft, white mist. The overall atmosphere is serene and natural.

Keep Kingwood Green Presents...

**What can one person
do to help the Earth**



Reduce Your Carbon Footprint!



Recycle Aluminum





Why?



Every 3 months, we throw away enough aluminum to rebuild every plane in every airline in America !



**You can run a TV for 6 hours with the
energy saved by recycling an
aluminum can !**



Recycle Plastic



Why?

To save the energy and oil needed to produce the plastics.



Recycle paper



Why ?

- For every ton of paper recycled, 7,000 gallons of water and 380 gallons of oil are saved.
- Every year, 900 million trees are cut down to make paper and pulp.
- Right now, only about half of this paper is recycled.



Recycle Glass



Why ?

- Recycling glass causes 20% less air pollution and 50% less water pollution than making a new bottle from raw materials.
- Texans use enough glass bottles and jars to fill the Astrodome every 4 1/2 months.



Where ?



Kingwood Drop Off Center



Montgomery County PCT 4
Drop Off Center – New Caney



Curbside Recycling

Recycle your Green Waste

- Mulch your grass and leaves
- Start a compost pile



**Don't forget that recycling
is only 3rd best.**

#1= Reduce

#2= Reuse



Cleaning house?

Donate unused items

➤ To a charity

➤ To **Freecycle** where people connect with others who are in need of the items that would otherwise be thrown away.

Go to **www.freecycle.org** to find out about it.



Save Electricity



**Turn off lights & appliances
when not in use**

**Computer: “ A screen
saver is not an energy
saver”**



Change the light bulbs from incandescent to fluorescent.



- ✓ Uses $\frac{1}{4}$ of the electricity
- ✓ Last longer
- ✓ One bulb saves 150 lb of CO₂ going in the atmosphere each year

Must be recycled at places like Home Depot !

Buying new appliances?



Look for the Energy Star label



Save 30% on utility bill

Bring Your Own Grocery Bag



Plastic bags - 500 billion are produced each year worldwide; only 3% of these are recycled. They last a thousand years in our landfills



Paper bags – You would make only 700 paper bags out of a 15-year old tree. In a big supermarket they could be used in less than an hour!

Plant a Tree in your Backyard



Ride the Metro bus downtown or carpool to work

➤ Public transit saves an estimated 1.4 billion gallons of gas each year, which accounts for a savings of 1.2 million tons of carbon dioxide.



Save energy and be healthy...



**Bike and walk on
trails, to the store
& to visit friends**





**“We do not inherit the
earth from our ancestors;
we borrow it from our
children”**

Native American Proverb