

Sustainable Oshkosh



**Learn how
Oshkosh is
moving
toward
sustainability
and what you
can do too!**

As part of a community sustainability planning process, the City of Oshkosh will be holding a **Community Forum** on sustainability in the Winter of 2010.

Sign up if you are interested in staying in the loop.

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<http://www.ci.oshkosh.wi.us/SustainableOshkosh/index.htm>



Tips and resources to help you Live Green!

Personal Actions—take the Natural Step*



How we can reduce our use of fossil fuels

- Conserve energy – unplug your chargers, computers and turn off your lights when not in use
- Use compact fluorescent light bulbs
- Bike, walk, take the bus, not your car



How we can reduce our use of chemicals

- Use non-toxic cleaners, avoid dry-cleaning
- Reduce use of plastic bottles, bags, plates, cups, water bottles
- Buy or grow organic or chemical-free food, preferably local



How we can protect Earth's natural systems

- Reduce your use of paper with two-sided copies, cloth napkins and handkerchiefs
- Reduce water use with low-flow showerheads, toilets, and rain barrels



How we can help others meet their human needs

- Smile, be kind to all others
- Buy local, fair-trade
- Develop a sense of community, participate

*What else can you do?
Use the Personal Action Checklist to learn more!*

More Resources

* Curious about the Natural Step? Learn more at: <http://www.thenaturalstep.org/en/canada>

Use the **Natural Step Personal Action Checklist** from **Alliance for Sustainability** <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/winnebago/cnred/documents/personalactionchecklist.pdf>

Read **“Natural Step for Communities: How Towns and Cities can Change to Sustainable Practices”** by Törbjörn Lahti and Sarah James

Oshkosh Public Library Green Living Collection
<http://www.oshkoshpubliclibrary.org/research/greenliving>

Sustainable Resources For your Daily Life....
http://www.ci.oshkosh.wi.us/SustainableOshkosh/resources_daily_life.htm

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<http://www.the350project.net/home.html>

