

CHANGES YOU CAN MAKE

Australia has the highest emissions per person of any OECD Country. We need governments and corporations to do more, but none of us is off the hook. We can all make a difference.

1. REDUCE YOUR ELECTRICITY USE

- Install LED lights and insulate your home
- Minimise air-conditioner use
- Choose energy efficient appliances
- Learn more saving tips (see below)
- Follow renew.org.au
- Get useful fact sheets at zerobyron.org
- Discover incentives at energysaver.nsw.gov.au

2. GO SOLAR AND SAVE MORE THAN MONEY

Solar hot water, rooftop solar & battery technology is more accessible than ever. Run dishwashers, washing machines or ovens when the sun is shining.

3. SWITCH TO ETHICAL ELECTRICITY

Discover which retailers are investing in renewables and moving out of fossil fuels. Support them.

- greenelectricityguide.org.au
- repowerbyron.org
- greenpower.gov.au

Consider local community owned

enovaenergy.com.au

And subscribe to Greenpower

4. PLANT TREES FOR OUR FUTURE

Protecting or replanting forests and wetlands allows carbon drawdown and storage.

- Join in/or donate to tree planting projects RePlant Byron aims to plant 1.8 million trees locally
- Support local Landcare groups and other projects

5. CHANGE HOW YOU EAT & SHOP

- Learn about plant based eating and eat less meat & dairy - any cut-down helps
- Buy food from local farmers who build and store more soil carbon with regenerative practices
- Shop mindfully. Imported foods have a much higher carbon footprint, sustainable purchases make a difference

6. CONSIDER ELECTRIC VEHICLES & FLY LESS

- ✓ If EVs are affordable for you make the switch! See **TheDriven.io** and bust EV vehicle myths.
- Consider a second hand EV or hybrid car
- Build workplace fleets of EVs. Seek to electrify all vehicles & tools currently using fossil fuels
- Cut down all non-essential flying

7. CONSUME LESS & REDUCE WASTE

All new products have carbon footprints. Organics in landfill tips are a wasted resource and create climate wrecking methane.

- Reduce, reuse and share
- ✓ Buy second hand, try Facebook Buy Swap & Sell
- Compost or use green bins for organic waste













PROMOTE CLIMATE ACTION & SUPPORT THE CHANGE MAKERS

8. DIVEST FROM FOSSIL FUEL LENDERS

Withdrawing funds from planet wrecking projects changes the financial culture

- Change to ethical, fossil fuel-free investments, banking and superannuation
- marketforces.org.au

9. HELP STOP MORE FOSSIL FUEL PROJECTS

- Get involved in campaigns, support them with your energy and donations. Below are a few but there are many more.
- stopadani.com
- lockthegate.org.au
- mitting-nannas.com

We need to phase out existing fossil fuel projects and prevent new ones. Organised campaigns keep the pressure on our governments.

10.ENGAGE POLITICALLY

Put pressure on candidates, parties and sitting members to take climate action:

- Ring, write, email, show up
- ✓ Vote for candidates who will take climate action
- ✓ Join climate marches
- Ask for much higher Emissions Reductions Targets and a National Action Plan on Climate Change
- Skill up at thechangeagency.org

11. TALK ABOUT IT MORE

- Raise awareness about practical climate actions with your family, work colleagues and in business and community circles.
- Share information on social media, try to reach out to people who don't know what can be done.
- Let people know it is possible to limit climate change with lower emissions and that they can also do something.

12. STAY INFORMED

Know about the reality and the solutions to counter myths and misinformation. There are many reputable websites with excellent clear information. Below are a few to get you started.

- Climatecouncil.org.au
- Drawdown.org
- Reneweconomy.com.au

Australia is currently a climate laggard and we can do so much more! It is NOT too late, focussed social movements do work.

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