



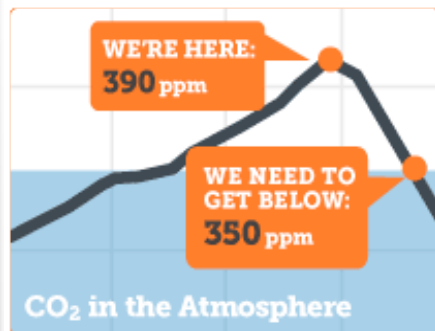
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On 10/10/10, the planet is getting to work on climate change with 2700+ events in 150+ countries.

Come and be part of a local Work Party
Sunday, October 10th from 1-4 pm
Transfiguration Community Garden Fall Clean Up
& Garlic Planting

350.org is an international campaign that's building a movement to unite the world around solutions to the climate crisis--the solutions that science and justice demand. Our mission is to inspire the world to rise to the challenge of the climate crisis—to create a new sense of urgency and of possibility for our planet.

Our focus is on the number 350--as in parts per million CO₂. If we can't get below that, scientists say, the damage we're already seeing from global warming will continue and accelerate. But 350 is more than a number--it's a symbol of where we need to head as a planet.



Scientists say that 350 parts per million CO₂ in the atmosphere is the safe limit for humanity. Accelerating arctic warming and other early climate impacts have led scientists to conclude that we are already above the safe zone at our current 392ppm, and that unless we are able to rapidly return to below

350 ppm this century, we risk reaching tipping points and irreversible impacts such as the melting of the Greenland ice sheet and major methane releases from increased permafrost melt.

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Top Ten Things You Can Do for Rochester's Environment

Sure there are lots of top ten lists around. So why not one on the things you can do for your local environment—that system that keeps us alive and thriving?

This list assumes you are ready to take responsibility for your presence at this critical time in our planet's history. In order for the effects of this list to be effective a lot of humans need to do them too. In the deepest practical sense, everything we do (where we live, what we eat, what we buy, what we throw away) matters to our environment. Here we go:

1. Be engaged with the issues surrounding our local environment by monitoring the media, books, reports, and the Internet using the laws of Nature as your guide to monitor how our lifestyle is affecting our environment.
2. When you consume anything--food, water, cars, gadgets, whatever—do so as though you were demonstrating how to consume for the rest of the world—considering the lifecycle of the products you buy, how they are made, how they are used, and how you get rid of them.
3. When you have someplace to go, consider all your options in order of their affect on our environment: walking, biking, car-pooling, mass transit, and lastly a personal vehicle.
4. Conserve energy until we find a non-polluting, renewable energy source.
5. Vote. If you're doing good for our environment and your representative in government doesn't get it, you're just making yourself feel good without much effect.
6. Recycle, reuse and encourage your local government to create a place where recycling just about everything is the norm.
7. Think twice before using toxic chemicals that make your yard look like a golf course and your house like a hospital.
8. Consider other species (plants and animals) and their role in sustaining our environment. Some are annoying and critical. Some are cute and a burden.
9. Adopt green business practices: your business will save our environment and be able to compete with the rest of the world.
10. Communicate your concerns about the state of our environment to everyone Sustainability isn't going to work unless everyone gets on board quickly.

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