

PROJECT GOOD EARTH

Purpose: *To preserve and help repair our environment. To protect our earth for all living things, today and for future generations to come. Involve the community in the planning and action of this project as much as possible.*

Action: complete at least 2

- 1) learn what need to be done, what is being done to protect our earth and the people , plants and animals who live on it. Share the information you learn with the group.
 - ~Publicize meetings, rallies, hearings and other environmental activities with an announcement of some sort.
- 2) . Prepare a collection of materials about local ecology action programs from magazines, newspapers, pamphlets, photos and speeches. Include scientific predictions of our environments future.
 - ~Decorate trash receptacles and secure permission to have them placed in public areas. Arrange for periodic trash removal.
 - ~Grow a garden (outdoors, greenhouse or window sill) using only natural controls rather than pesticides.
- 3) Make and distribute an environmental abuses map of your community (smoke, noise, pollution, litter, congestion, erosion.) Invite the community to inspect these areas with you Suggest improvements.
 - ~Launch an environmental teach-in program to involve all other youth and service groups. Inform them of what you are doing, what you have learned and how they too can help in the cause.

Doing:

~Use disposable or reusable containers found in you home to make environmental opinion buttons, posters, bumper stickers, book jackets, sculptures or announcements.

~Adopt ways to help preserve and / or reuse resources and energy, i.e. using lunch box or tote bag rather than paper sack; recycling newspapers and magazines, cans and bottles, gift wrapping, reducing use of fuel and water; walking and using bicycles and public transportation rather than cars.

~Survey the impact of visitors on local recreation areas. Organize a campaign to clean up the litter they leave, and to educate people about the thoughtlessness of littering.

~Prepare news stories, radio and TV programs on pollution, environment and the ecosystem as a public service program.

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- Helps youth gain and appreciation and an understanding for global problems.
 - Allows them to give back to their community.
 - Gain self confidence through helping awareness of others.

