

Actions for Care for Creation – November 4, 2018

Plastic Bags

Reduce -- Don't use a plastic bag at checkout for an item you can simply carry out of the store.

- Buy less clothing that needs dry-cleaning. When you do need to dry-clean, choose a local “green” drycleaner. They use less toxic chemicals.

Re-use -- Keep reusable shopping bags in your car and bring them with you when you shop.

- Reuse clear plastic newspaper bags to clean up after your dog (rather than use newly bought plastic bags).

Recycle – Both clear plastic newspaper bags and dry-cleaning bags can be recycled, along with plastic grocery bags. Recycle bins can be found at supermarkets, and many big box stores.

Restore -- Only 9% of all the plastic ever produced has been recycled. The equivalent of a truckload of plastic enters the ocean every minute! So just encouraging recycling is not enough. If you're on social media, consider joining the tweet campaign asking major consumer product companies to drastically reduce their plastics usage.

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