

Could Your Family Become Climate and Nature Friendly by 2025?

Have a family meeting when you consider each idea, and mark the year when you could make it happen.

Family Planning for a Climate and Nature Friendly World	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Your Travel					
More cycling or walking					
Buy an electric vehicle					
Share a ride. Car pool to meetings and events					
Use more transit					
Green travel bag - reusable travel mug, cutlery, take out containers					
Reduce flights: buy carbon offsets if flying					
Your Home					
Switch to LED lightbulbs					
Upgrade to most efficient appliances					
Improve your home insulation					
Hire a City Green Home Energy Auditor www.citygreen.ca					
Replace an oil or gas boiler or heater with a heat-pump					
Upgrade your windows					
Your Finances					
Switch to a climate-friendly bank or credit union. Avoid RBC, TD, Scotia, BMO, CIBC, Montreal. https://www.ran.org/bankingonclimatechaos2021/					
Switch to climate-friendly investments. www.riacanada.ca/ri-marketplace/service-providers/consultants/					
Your Business					
Become Vancouver Green Business Certified www.vigbc.ca					
Become a Certified B Corporation www.bcorporation.net					
Your Land					
Place a Conservation Covenant on your forest and/or farm					
Use the ecoforestry approach to timber management					
Safeguard your home against forest fires					
Your Garden					
Grow your own food organically					
Save your own food by drying, canning and freezing					
Harvest rainwater in tanks, swales and ponds					
Save water by cover crops, mulching, drip irrigation					
Create habitat for birds, bats, bees, native plants and wildlife					
Save your own seeds					
Switch to an electric mower, weed-eater, chainsaw					
Your Shopping					
Use re-useable shopping bags, re-fillable containers					
Buy organic products					
Eliminate or reduce meat/fish to once a week					
Eliminate non-sustainable/conflict palm oil products					
Buy tree-free or 100% recycled paper, tissues, toilet-paper					
Buy safe personal care products - toothpaste, lotions, cosmetics					
Buy Fair Trade chocolate and other products					
Buy safe green household cleaning products					
Buy nature-friendly clothing					
Learn how to knit, sew and repair clothing					
Buy clothes from a charity store or second-hand shop					
Upcycle or creatively re-use clothing and other items					
Your Wastes					
Practice zero-waste shopping					
Compost your food and garden wastes					
Try to achieve zero waste to the landfill					
Donate unwanted items to charity stores or Habitat for Humanity					
Your End					
Leave a legacy for climate and nature in your will					
Plan a green burial					