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What are you doing to reduce your Carbon Footprint?

The average American is responsible for about 20 metric tons of carbon emissions each year. These emissions are generated when we drive, fly or use energy at home and at work.

[ColoradoCarbonFund.org](#) makes it easy to measure, reduce and offset your carbon emissions. [Visit](#) today to get started.

Your donation to the Colorado Carbon Fund offsets your emissions and supports new clean energy projects in our state. [Donate today.](#)

Here are five ways YOU can help reduce carbon emissions:

- If you have a clothes washing machine, use cold water. According to ENERGY STAR, washing clothes in cold water will save you up to \$40 per year.
- Install water-efficient showerheads and faucets. It really helps! 1.8 gallon per minute showerheads can reduce your hot water consumption by as much as 10%. You'll see savings up to \$6 per year for a sink faucet aerator and \$20 per year for a showerhead.
- Switch to compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs. They cost a little more, but you can save about \$40 over the life of just one bulb.



- Use public transportation, carpool, or ride your bike to reduce driving.
- When you do drive, be less aggressive - avoid hard braking, fast starts, speeding and excessive idling - and combine trips.

Denver 2008 Democratic National Convention Host Committee Offsets with the Colorado Carbon Fund

An Earth Day announcement from Governor Bill Ritter, Jr. and Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper, shared the release of the Denver 2008 Convention Host Committee's Report, "Greening the Democratic National Convention."

The report summarizes the environmental sustainability strategies used to make the convention "the greenest convention ever". The Host Committee worked with Camco Global and the Governor's Energy Office (GEO) to quantify the event's carbon footprint.

To offset emissions associated with the activities and events surrounding the Convention, the Host Committee made a financial contribution to the Colorado Carbon Fund, which will support new clean energy projects in the state. The GEO, Colorado Carbon Fund, and Greenprint Denver will continue to work in partnership to promote clean energy throughout the city.

More details, including the report and the carbon footprint assessment, can be found on Greenprint Denver's [website](#).

Colorado Carbon Fund License Plate

To qualify for a Project C license plate, make a donation to the Colorado Carbon Fund. Use our online calculator and offset at least 50% of your vehicle's annual emissions with the Colorado Carbon Fund. A minimum \$25 donation is required. [More details here.](#)



Your project could qualify for support from the Colorado Carbon Fund

The Colorado Carbon Fund has money available to purchase carbon credits from high quality greenhouse gas offset projects in Colorado.

In order to be considered, a project must reduce at least 40,000 metric tons of CO2 equivalent over its lifetime. To determine whether or not your project qualifies, please take one of the following actions:

1. Call 503-238-1915 x212 or
2. E-mail

KeyBank Partners with Colorado Carbon Fund to Combat Climate Change

KeyBank will donate \$10 to the Colorado Carbon Fund for every new account opened at one of the bank's new branches in the state in 2009.



[Read more.](#)

Vail Partnerships Announced

The Colorado Carbon Fund has teamed up with the [Eagle Valley Alliance for Sustainability](#), [Town of Vail](#) and the [Vail Valley Partnership](#) to reduce carbon emissions through the Project C educational campaign.

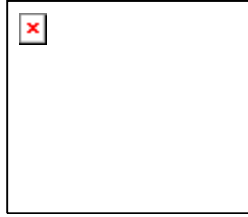
Learn more at the [Party for the Planet](#), Saturday April 25th in Eagle.

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3. [Visit us online](#)

Please spread the word to others who may qualify for carbon financing. After all, we think ours is a message that many people will want to hear.

Also, Susan Innis, Colorado Carbon Fund Program Manager, will speak at the [Sundays in Edwards series](#) on April 26th.



Questions? Contact Monica Thilges at mthilges@climatetrust.org.

We Need Your Feedback

Do you have questions about the Colorado Carbon Fund? Suggestions for our website?

We'd love to hear from you! [Email us](#).

Join the Colorado Carbon Fund at the Denver Green Festival, May 2nd & 3rd

Come out for a weekend of exciting presentations and hands-on workshops by national and regional speakers and performers, including:

- Calculating Your Carbon Footprint with Susan Innis of the Governor's Energy Office
- Greening Government panel discussion featuring Angie Fyfe of the GEO and, moderated by Anne Trujillo of KMGH-TV
- '60s folk tunes from Nearly There band featuring Tom Plant (GEO Director) on banjo
- Making Energy Affordable to All with CU Center of the American West's Dr. Patty Limerick
- Rethinking the Bottom Line: Decision Making in Your Home with the CSU Institute for the Built Environment's Josie Plaut
- Energy Justice for the Developing World with CSU's Dr. Bryan Willson and Paul Hudnut
- Forest Puppet Show by the Colorado State Forest Service
- CSU Little Shop of Physics

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