



Climate changes caused by human practices are a major threat to the world's environmental and economic stability, and to the future of our children. Many communities around the world are already experiencing the impact of increasing temperatures and its effects on their environment. We all need to work together in order to make changes that will begin to stabilize this crisis.

We believe that change starts at the local level. We are asking all Leonians (neighbors, organizations, schools, and businesses) to adopt practices that will have a beneficial impact on the environment and our community.

Here are several things we can all do to make Leonia the most environment-friendly town in New Jersey:

### REDUCE

- I will refuse, whenever possible, plastic bags to carry my purchases** (plastic bags are not recyclable in our town).
- I will avoid purchasing foam packaging, containers, and cups** (foam is not recyclable in our town).
- I will try to buy products that use the least amount of packaging.** Larger, economy-size products or ones in concentrated form use less packaging and usually cost less.
- I will choose compostable packaging and items whenever possible.** This means the material will disintegrate in a compost environment leaving no toxicity in the soil.

### REUSE

- I will bring my own bags to the store** instead of accepting new ones every time I shop.
- I will use re-sealable containers** rather than plastic or aluminum wrap.
- I will reuse products for the same purpose.** I will save paper and plastic bags to use repeatedly at the grocery store.
- I will save boxes to re-use when shipping items.**

### RECYCLE

- I will do my best to put ALL recyclable items and materials into bins for collection on recycling days -- and reduce the amount of garbage and trash that I generate.** I understand that everything I put at the curb on Garbage collection days goes into landfills.
- I will follow the Leonia recycling guidelines and calendar.** I will put out ALL my Commingled Containers and Mixed Paper on alternating Wednesdays.
- I will buy products made from recycled materials** whenever possible.
- When I buy electronics I will try to give away the old ones** or try to recycle using manufacturer programs.

**Please sign the Reduce Reuse Recycle Pledge with us, and make environmentally conscious actions like these a daily practice!**

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