

TIPL Faith Group Care for All Creation Survey

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I. Caring for the Earth

Does your faith group have an active committee focused on the development and implementation of Earth-friendly, life-sustainable practices? If yes, please state:

- Name of Committee
- Committee Leader Name and Title
- Contact information

Has your faith group received any form of certification for its sustainability / Creation Care? If yes:

- Source of certification.
- Year awarded.
- Certification website (if available.)
- **If no certification**, would you like to know more?

Please complete the following two tables about your current practices

Focusing on Sustainability Practices	Yes	Sometimes	No	Want info?
We use washable dishes, beverage containers and flatware.				
We limit use of disposable water bottles.				
We recycle what the city/county accepts.				
We separate food wastes and compost them.				
We use water efficient fixtures.				
We use eco-friendly cleaning materials.				
We use only 100% recycled paper.				
We avoid buying new when used options are available.				
We only use native plants in our landscaping.				
We effectively manage storm water runoff.				
We discourage pesticides or herbicides to manage our landscaping and lawn.				
We encourage vegetarian/vegan dishes in our shared meals.				
We offer carpooling coordination services or encourage carpooling.				

Focusing on Energy Use	Yes	No	Want Info?
We have recently had an energy audit of our buildings.			
Our buildings have been weatherized.			
We purchase Energy Star efficient appliances.			
We use power strips or surge protectors to turn off devices not in regular use.			
We use efficient lighting.			
Our HVAC systems is rated highly energy efficient.			
We use energy management controls to reduce heating / cooling when building space is not used.			
We use motion detectors to reduce lighting when building space is not in use.			
We have solar panels on at least some of our buildings.			

Other practices not listed:

How does your faith group learn about the need and how to care for the Earth?

How does your faith group account for the carbon emissions from travel to attend services and other events related to the life of the faith group locally, regionally, and nationally?

Does your faith group interact with your faith group's regional and national organizations towards increased responsibility for earth care? **Yes No** If yes, how?

Would your faith group want support to further develop your Creation Care practices?
Yes No Maybe

Would your faith group be willing to offer support to other faith groups to further develop their Creation Care practices? **Yes No Maybe**

TIPL would like to bring together local faith groups practicing earth care / sustainability to share information and find ways to outreach to other faith groups. Would you value participating in such a meeting? **Yes No Maybe**

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