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 Topics, Tips, Tidbits for a Greener North Miami •

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did you <know>

- When you turn on a light bulb only 10% of the electricity used is turned into light, the other 90% is wasted as heat.
- A 100W light bulb if left on for 30 min creates enough CO2 to fill a party balloon.
- You could use 30% LESS energy in your home just by using energy more wisely and purchasing products with the Energy Star label.

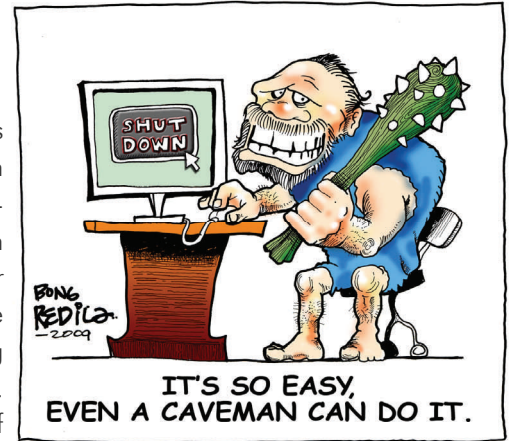
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- Avoid misprints - don't print documents unless absolutely necessary.
- Don't preach to the masses - print only as many copies as you really need.
- Turn over a new leaf - use double sided printing and copying.
- Cheat your sheets - reduce margins widths and font sizes, and use single spacing if possible.
- Promote mood lighting - keep the lights off in rooms that are not in used
- Light only your inner flame - utilize the power save feature on computers and photocopiers throughout the day.
- Respect curfew: Lights out! - turn off computers and other office equipment at the end of the day.

Turn it off!

Turn off lights and unplug all office equipments such as computers, monitors, and printers when you leave the office, especially during the week-ends. The energy to power lights came from somewhere most likely from coal-fired power plant which generates more than 50% of the U.S. electricity. It produces electricity by burning coal in a boiler to heat water to produce steam. Burning these coal releases large amount of greenhouse gas into the atmosphere.

Simple acts like these make a difference but they require commitment on the part of everyone. Please conserve energy whichever way possible.



Dump the Pump
SAVE YOUR MONEY. SAVE YOUR PLANET.



Riding public transportation is an easy way to save money, conserve gasoline and reduce harmful greenhouse gases. Join millions of commuters across the nation and leave your car at home and ride the bus or train.

Riding the bus or train is more cost-effective than paying high car expenses.

Save your planet. Riding the bus, train or even opting to carpool or vanpool helps save 4.2 billion gallons of gasoline annually, reduces an individual's carbon emissions to 4,800 pounds per year, provides cleaner air and improves our quality of life.



CFL Safe Disposal Locations:

Bring expired unbroken CFL bulbs in a sealed plastic bag and deposit in a CFL collection box located near the entrance or exit inside all Home Depot stores.

City of North Miami Wins Sustainable Florida Best Practices Award!

The Council for Sustainable Florida recognized City of North Miami with Sustainable Innovation Award at its 11th Annual Sustainable Florida Best Practice Awards ceremony held in Orlando on June 9, 2009.

The awards program is designed to recognize and honor the best efforts to create a more sustainable Florida. Award winners are promoted as examples of Best Practices in the state. The Council received nearly 80 nominations for seven categories. Sustainable Innovation Award is a one time award created for to the City of North Miami for its new Recycling Incentives program, a partnership with Recyclebank.