Making Ripples

100 Ways to Make Ripples

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We're celebrating our 100th column with 100 ways to make ripples in the world!

- 1. Thank you for reading Ripples and making a difference!
- 2. Eat less meat.
- 3. Switch to fair trade products.
- 4. Buy organic produce.
- 5. Help a neighbor.
- 6. Donate to an effective charity like GiveDirectly.
- 7. Grow a garden.
- 8. Shop locally.
- 9. Adopt a child.
- 10. Fix a broken appliance.
- 11. Reduce, reuse, then recycle.
- 12. Start composting.
- 13. Have a fundraiser for charity.
- 14. Switch to renewable energy.
- 15. Bike to work or school.
- 16. Carpool to church.
- 17. Visit someone who's lonely.
- 18. Make origami cranes for kids in the hospital.
- 19. Donate gently used clothing.
- 20. Write about a good deed you've done.
- 21. Teach a class on being compassionate.
- 22. Hug someone.
- 23. Help a stranger.
- 24. Carry groceries for the person in front of you.
- 25. Tip better.
- 26. Drink organic beer.
- 27. Go to the farmer's market.
- 28. Learn about conservation.
- 29. Read The Life You Can Save
- 30. Stop using harsh chemicals.
- 31. Make herbal soap.
- 32. Repurpose an old item.
- 33. Plant a tree.
- 34. Collect rainwater.

- 35. Visit a fair trade coffee shop.
- 36. Meditate.
- 37. Downsize your home.
- 38. Don't flush cat litter.
- 39. Learn about watersheds.
- 40. Build a bird feeder.
- 41. Create a wildlife-friendly yard.
- 42. Sponsor a child abroad.
- 43. Volunteer for a non-profit.
- 44. Learn about Effective Altruism.
- 45. Don't mow wildflowers.
- 46. Bake vegan cookies.
- 47. Eliminate invasive non-native plants.
- 48. Pray for peace.
- 49. Love vibrantly.
- 50. Bring reusable bags.
- 51. Sew holes in clothes.
- 52. Learn canning.
- 53. Eat cage-free eggs.
- 54. Buy used clothing.
- 55. Build bamboo furniture.
- 56. Rescue an animal.
- 57. Help build hiking trails.
- 58. Study ecology.
- 59. Care for a sick person.
- 60. Offer a microloan.
- 61. Become a Master Naturalist.
- 62. Purchase cork flooring.
- 63. Adopt a pet from the shelter.
- 64. Use less electricity.
- 65. Take 5 minute showers.
- 66. Send recycled greeting cards.
- 67. Buy organic clothing.
- 68. Support local artisans.
- 69. Compliment someone.
- 70. Listen.
- 71. Purchase a conservation easement.
- 72. Stop erosion.
- 73. Raise chickens.
- 74. Build an earthship.

- 75. Learn about Capacity Building.
- 76. Volunteer in a nursing home.
- 77. Install a frog pond.
- 78. Make people laugh.
- 79. Eat locally.
- 80. Be kind to enemies.
- 81. Teach kids about trees.
- 82. Cook someone dinner.
- 83. Make a rain barrel.
- 84. Support interfaith projects.
- 85. Read often.
- 86. Watch documentaries.
- 87. Repair a friendship.
- 88. Use natural body products.
- 89. Support environmental justice.
- 90. Plant milkweed for Monarchs.
- 91. Call a distant relative.
- 92. Meet a foreigner.
- 93. Stop using pesticides.
- 94. Build a bee house.
- 95. Play the Glad Game.
- 96. Help educate underprivileged girls.
- 97. Read to your children.
- 98. Volunteer abroad.
- 99. Support cooperatives.
- 100. Ask questions.

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