

TAKE THE BUY GREEN PLEDGE

BECAUSE ONE DAY FOR THE EARTH ISN'T ENOUGH

I UNDERSTAND THAT MY PURCHASES HAVE A DIRECT IMPACT ON THE HEALTH OF OUR PLANET.

I RECOGNIZE THAT BUYING GREEN IS CRITICAL IN PRESERVING OUR NATURAL RESOURCES AND GREEN SPACES. PROTECTING WILDLIFE AND THEIR HABITATS. AND KEEPING THE CLIMATE STABLE.

I WILL BUY GREEN.

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Turn your pledge into action.

Whether you're buying for your home or your office, here are some tips as you embark on your Buy Green Journey.



**REMEMBER THE LESSON ON:
REDUCE, REUSE, AND RECYCLE.**

Do you need to buy new?
Can you use what you already have?
Can the product be recycled at end-of-life?

AND THEN LEVEL IT UP

What was used to make the product?
Who made it and were they paid a living wage?
Did its production contribute to resource depletion?



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EXISTING RESOURCES



Buying for the State?

The Green Purchasing Committee is here to help.
Visit us [online](#).

Reach out with questions: DGS.BuyGreen@maryland.gov

Buying for yourself?

Buy local and buy in bulk.

Bundle your deliveries and don't use rush shipping.

Avoid greenwashing, look for [credible environmental certifications](#).

Or the most sustainable and cost-effective option: Buy second-hand!

KEEP LEARNING AND PUSHING FORWARD

As demand for sustainability grows, industry will follow and it will become easier and easier to buy green.

So take a moment to be proud of yourself and how far you've come on your Buy Green Journey - and then keep pushing forward!

Want to learn more about all the good work that's happening and what still needs to be done? Check out this:

Book - [Cradle to Cradle](#)

Podcast - [Mothers of Invention](#)

Documentary - [The Story of Stuff](#)

