**GUIDE ON KEEPING THE GREEN CLEAN**

Let’s be straight. Keeping the green clean is not that difficult. Helping the environment stay clean is not a special kind of skill that one needs to master. It’s simply just disciplining ourselves because a lot of the problem that degrades the beauty of the environment is caused by us humans. We should remind ourselves on what can be done to help out. Here is a list of what we all can do.

**1. Throw your trashes properly**

We can all agree that no matter how beautiful a place is if there are trashes being littered around, that beauty is gone. The only way to solve this is to properly throw them in the right place. If you have any, look for any trash bin or similar container on where you can throw it. Don’t be one of those who will litter it just because they can’t find any nearby. No matter how big or small it is, just hold on to it because it’s your responsibility to throw your on trash properly. And if you have to properly segregate your trash when you throw it then do it. It will help things stay organized.

**2. Recycle**

If you have any trash that you know you can recycle then do it. If you are not very sure on how to recycle and/or which materials can be recycled then do the research. There are some that can be recycled and some that can’t be like batteries, diapers, paint and more so it’s important to know which is which. If you have any recycling center in your area then try to save up some bottles and cans that can be returned because you can earn some money by returning them to the center in some places. Keep in mind also that when you throw your trashes, some can be segregated to the recycle bin. Make sure to properly to throw it there.

**3. Plant more trees**

There is never a case where there are too much trees especially in our generation where the city grows and the trees are being cut off. If you are not sure on how to do it or even where to start, find a community/group that can help with that or even charity works. Cutting down trees can lead to deforestation, erosion of soil, and extinction of species because of the effect of losing their habitat. This can also lead to the increase of the amount of greenhouse gas that will be released to the atmosphere due to less trees being able to take in the carbon dioxide.

**4. Drive less**

This might not be easy for those who stay in cities where getting from one location to another takes a long time but driving less does help with the environment. Cars produce carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxide which causes air pollution. Not only is it affecting the environment but also us humans. As much as possible find eco-friendly ways of transportations like riding bikes or just simply walking, especially if your destination is not that far from where you are. If you are one of those who can afford an electronic car then go for it. It will help a lot.

**5. Help spread the awareness**

It’s a good if you understand how our environment can be affected by the things we do to it but it’s not enough if it’s only you who is aware of it. Spread the awareness to those who don’t know. Let them know and guide them on what they can do so they can do the same to help keep things clean. If you have any nearby community that helps spread the awareness, try joining them and give them a hand. The more people know what can be done to help the better.

**6. Be CONSISTENT**

Being consistent is an important thing that one must always remember. You may know the importance of keeping the environment clean and how you can do it but if you are not consistent on doing what can be done to help out then it’s pointless. You may be helping out for a month, a week, or day and that’s not enough. You need to be consistent and do it as long as possible. Even if it’s simple as throwing your trash properly, just do it. Be consistent. Don’t make excuses and do something that you know won’t be good for the environment. It’s better to do things right as early as possible than to do it when the problem gets bigger.