



## **SUGGESTIONS FROM THE CITY OF ST. PETERS** **SUSTAINABILITY FOCUS GROUP**

- Change traditional light bulbs to LED or CFL and use skylights when available to reduce demand on energy;
- Run the dishwasher only when full. The average dishwasher uses six gallons of water per cycle. Energy Star rated dishwashers average about four gallons per cycle. Your faucet uses two gallons of water per minute;
- Unplug electronic devices when not in use when feasible. This will save energy and reduce your monthly electric bill;
- Always recycle! Use coffee mugs versus paper cups, especially at work or when out and about;
- Use a lunch box versus paper bags for your lunch or dinner;
- Use dish clothes or old towels versus paper towels;
- Carry your own reusable shopping bags when out shopping;
- Use re-usable water bottles versus single-use water bottles;
- Plan your trips out to run errands be more efficient on your driving routes and fuel usage;
- Reading, singing and playing board games do not typically use electricity. By reducing your reliance on electronic entertainment forms reduces the demand for energy.