

In November

TASK OF THE MONTH

Plan greener giving

Some gift ideas include:

- ❖ Deliver a homemade meal or baked goods;
- ❖ Give theater tickets;
- ❖ Offer to babysit so parents can have a night out alone;
- ❖ Give family memberships to local museums;
- ❖ Give things you know people need and will use;
- ❖ Shop for slightly-used items on sites like Facebook Marketplace;
- ❖ Give a donation to a worthy cause in their name;

To wrap your gifts use:

- ✓ Colorful newspaper pages;
- ✓ Wrapping paper, ribbon and bows from previous years;
- ✓ Handmade bags from leftover fabric; Make them with handles to be used for shopping!

When you shop, bring cloth bags and reusable produce bags, and wash and reuse any plastic bags you get;



Buy used (and donate!)

- ❖ Healing Hands (free to low-income households);
- ❖ Opportunity House;
- ❖ My Sister's Closet;
- ❖ Habitat for Humanity Restore;
- ❖ Bloomington Thrift Shop;
- ❖ St Vincent de Paul (which will pick up furniture and mattresses)
- ❖ Salvation Army or Goodwill;
- ❖ Monroe County Public Library Book Sale;
- ❖ UU church GSTF clothing swaps;
- ❖ UUCB Bazaar's White Elephant!

Did you know that what we consume accounts for 16% of the average American's energy use?

When we buy less stuff, we simplify our lives, save money and lower our carbon footprint;

Have you joined CCL yet?

It's a great way to connect with local members and receive weekly briefings with suggested actions;



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