MONEY SAVING IDEAS



The new Forever stamps offer 16 tips on how to go green.

(NAPSA)—A few simple tips can save you money and save the Earth. Consider these tips from the U.S. Postal Service, which is celebrating its green leadership with 16 Go Green Forever stamps that are valid to post a First-Class Mail letter, now or in the future, even if postage rates go up.

1. Plant a tree. Carefully positioned trees can save up to 25 percent of the energy a typical household uses. In summer, daytime temperatures can be 3° to 6° cooler in tree-shaded areas.

2. Turn off lights. An average household spends 11 percent of its energy budget on lighting.

3. Use efficient lightbulbs. New lighting technologies such as CFL bulbs can reduce lighting energy use in your home by 50 to 75 percent. Fluorescent lamps are much more efficient than incandescent (standard) bulbs and last about six to 12 times longer.

4. Maintain tire pressure. Keep tires properly inflated and aligned to improve your gasoline mileage by around 3.3 percent. Properly inflated tires are safer and last longer.

The other tips depicted on the stamps include: Buy local produce, reuse bags, fix water leaks, share rides, choose to walk, compost, let nature do the work, recycle more, ride a bike, insulate the home, use public transportation, and adjust the thermostat.

For more information and to order Go Green Forever stamps, visit www.usps.com/green.