



Resources to Respond to the Cry of the Earth

How do I conduct an energy audit?

- Check with your utility company, which may offer free home energy audits
- The U.S. Department of Energy offers information on [what to look for](#) in a professional energy assessment
- You may [do your own inspection](#) of your home to identify where you are losing energy and where you might make some savings in energy and costs

How can I better care for local waterways and support biodiversity on my community property or in my garden or backyard?

- The University of Missouri provides this informative [fact sheet](#) and [work sheet](#) for managing storm water runoff
- Learn how to [choose and grow native plants](#), which nourish local wildlife
- The National Wildlife Federation has many [resources for gardening for wildlife](#), from butterfly gardens to bird-friendly habitats
- The NWF's [Sacred Grounds program](#) assists faith communities in creating outdoor spaces that support both people and wildlife