

## Cut your gasoline use by one quarter

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**Why:** On average, a passenger car emits 11,400 pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> every year – almost one pound of CO<sub>2</sub> per gallon! Cars and light trucks are the top sources of emissions from transportation. In the U.S. all transportation emissions account for an entire third of total national [greenhouse gas \(GHG\) emissions](#). The good news is that if people driving every day has a major impact, people choosing not to drive will also have a major impact.

**How:** First, [determine your current gas use](#). Then, choose the best method of reducing your driving miles and gas consumption. Here are some ideas:

- Work from home (telecommute). Leaving your car at home two days a week will reduce your CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 1,590 pounds a year!
- Carpool to work from anywhere up to 75 miles outside of downtown Kansas City through the Mid-America Regional Council's [RideShare](#) program.
- Use alternative transportation with the [Kansas City Area Transportation Authority](#) or [The Jo](#).
- Bike or walk to the local store for errands. Each mile you walk will save about a pound of carbon.