

# Save the Planet. Save Money. Get Certified



## Beyond the Office Tips for November



1. It's cold out there. Make sure you are not letting cold air in through your windows. Plastic window wrap can be purchased at any local hardware stores.
2. Turn the heat down at night when you're sleeping and during the day when you're at work.
3. Switch to reusable plates and silverware at family gatherings.
4. If you're catering your Thanksgiving meal, give composting a try and compost all food waste.

## *Petal News...*

### *Petal Project Food for Thought*

It's turkey time; do not let your turkey go to waste the day after Thanksgiving. There are a plethora of Turkey recipes out there, whether you're thinking sandwiches, soups or casseroles. [Click here](#) for some wonderful ideas!



5. When purchasing sidewalk salt, try to look for eco-friendly labels.

### *Christmas is just Around the Corner*

The Telegraph Herald has recently written about homemade gifts. They call it *Back to the Basics: Gifts that Inspire Imagination*. Let's try to unplug this year and give homemade gifts, producing less waste and more recycling while encouraging creativity to both young and old. Let's think local. [Click here](#) to read more about it and to get so great gift ideas!



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### *Grants to Green Business Spotlight*

To highlight the wonderful things our grants to green businesses are working towards, we decided to put the spotlight on a business each month. We will be featuring businesses monthly, so stay tuned!



Mt. Pleasant Home of Dubuque offers affordable senior care, and along with this they are working toward the Petal Project green business model. So far they have been extremely dedicated to their progress. Implementing recycling and making sure waste units are up to par outside of the building are just two ways in which they are moving forward. With their native plants around the building and plans to start their garden back up again, we are excited to see what the next few months have in store for this wonderful place!

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### Helpful Jule Information

The Jule Transit implemented an improved route system on January 6, 2014. At the spine of the new system, is an addition of Non-Stop Express service



between downtown and the west side of Dubuque. This route combines with a new route concept to create efficiencies that enable a variety of improvements including:

- Reduced travel times
- Maximum trip length of approximately 50 minutes
- 5 minute trip time from JFK Circle to 6th & Iowa
- Reduced wait times at transfers
- Maximum wait time at transfers of 15 minutes
- Non-stop service between downtown and west-end every 30 minutes
- Service from downtown to west-end and DICW until 6:15pm
- More commuters will be able to utilize transit to return home from work
- New (hourly) service to Terrace Heights,

Freemont/Wartburg, Carnegie-Stout Public Library,  
Rockdale Rd, YM/YWCA

- 30 minute service from 22-32nd & Jackson, MA West,  
Asbury Plaza, Walmart and DICW

For more information, visit our website at [www.juletransit.org](http://www.juletransit.org) or  
contact The Jule at 563.589.4196.

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