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Keeping with the theme of renewal, The Roots Jam Session has partnered with Green Music Group to bring you some fresh tips on keeping your life green.

★ Upcycle! Just about everything around your home can be creatively reused and given new life. Check out **Recyclart** for some awesome inspiration.

★ Don't throw away furnishings or appliances, and consider buying second-hand before you buy new. Like the saying goes, one man's trash is another man's treasure. Sites like **Freecycle** and **Craigslist** let you post your goods for free, so someone else can give them a loving home.

★ Try growing your own mini-garden. You don't need a ton of space, just a few containers, some good dirt, seeds, and a little patience! Get creative with your containers and reuse old cans, tires, or buckets, and check out tips from **You Grow Girl** and **No Dig Vegetable Garden** for gardening in small spaces.

★ If your old clothes are too dingy to donate, don't throw them away! Use them around the house – cut up soft tees and pajamas to make dust rags, use 'em to stuff a dog bed, or stitch a bunch of old (read: sentimental) tee's together to make a quilt.

★ Recycle your water. "Gray water" from doing your dishes can be used to water your (non-edible) houseplants. A rain barrel outside can collect water for your garden. Get started with tips from **The Greenest Dollar** FAQs from **HarvestH20**.

★ Don't trash your food scraps – compost them! Compost provides a great source of nutrients for your new mini-garden, and if you're not into growing your own grub, find a community garden or farmer who'll appreciate the goods. **How to Compost** is your one-stop-shop for all things compost.

★ National Geographic's **Green Guide** has some great recipes for creating your own green cleaners from things you can find in your kitchen – things like baking soda, vinegar, and lemon juice.

★ Are you a hacker that has some old computer gear hanging out at home? Here are some more links to - get you going

  • From **Lifehacker**
  • From **Desktopped**
  • From **Interbent**
  • From **Engadget**

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