



List of DIY Projects (with links!)

Build a drying rack for your clothes:

- <https://www.shelterness.com/diy-functional-laundry-racks/>

Insulate your water heater:

- <https://www.energy.gov/energysaver/services/do-it-yourself-energy-savings-projects/savings-project-insulate-your-water>

Grow your own food:

- <https://www.apartmentguide.com/blog/urban-gardening-for-beginners/>

Compost:

- <https://www.apartmentguide.com/blog/basic-guide-to-composting-at-your-apartment/>

Insulate your windows:

- <https://www.lowes.com/n/how-to/install-window-film>
- <https://www.lowes.com/n/how-to/weather-strip-windows>
- <https://www.apartmentguide.com/blog/make-draft-stoppers/>

Make thermally insulating curtains (and how to hang them without drilling holes):

- <https://blog.kwikhang.com/easy-diy-thermal-curtains-to-insulate-your-home/>
- <https://decoratedlife.com/how-to-hang-curtains-without-drilling/#:~:text=Command%20Hooks,-Shop%20on%20Home&text=Similar%20to%20stick%20on%20curtain,%2C%20and%20you're%20done!>

Reduce your standby power usage:

- <https://www.energy.gov/energysaver/articles/3-easy-tips-reduce-your-standby-power-loads>
- <https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy14osti/60461.pdf>

Repair your electronics:

- <https://www.ifixit.com/>

Fix your clothes:

- <https://remake.world/stories/style/how-to-mend-your-clothes-during-quarantine-5-easy-stitch-fixes/>
- <https://www.instructables.com/How-To-Patch-Your-Clothes/#:~:text=Spread%20the%20piece%20of%20clothing,%2F%22%20on%20all%20sides.>

Write a politician!

To find your federal level legislators and issues that affect you:

- <https://www.govtrack.us/>

To find local officials:

- <https://www.commoncause.org/find-your-representative/addr/>

For help writing a letter:

- <https://www.ucsusa.org/resources/how-write-effective-letter-your-policy-maker>
- <https://www.ncsl.org/portals/1/Documents/SampleLetterToYourSenator.pdf>

Reuse (free) supplies for your projects:

- <https://trashnothing.com/beta/>
- <https://buynothingproject.org/>

Be safe using these resources! Follow these safety tips:

- <https://www.sheenmagazine.com/7-ways-to-protect-yourself-when-you-buy-and-sell-on-craigslist/>