



**IMPLEMENT
SOME OF
THESE TIPS
INTO YOUR
LIFE (STYLE)**

"In truth, we can all play a part in driving fashion to be more sustainable and ethical. By choosing to wear clothes from labels that embrace transparent, creative and innovative production methods; and by re-wearing, recycling, swapping and thrifting."

- Emma Watson,

Good On You Ambassador

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Please find more information on
Kane County Sustainability and Recycling at:

[countyofkane.org/sustainability](https://www.countyofkane.org/sustainability)
and
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**PRACTICES
FOR
SUSTAINABLE
FASHION**

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RETHINK

Tip 1 ReThink your purchase.

Do you really need this item?

Tip 2 Sleep on it. If you do not feel a burning need to return to purchase the item, don't.

RECYCLE

Tip 1 Bring clothes, shoes, textiles and accessories to Kane County's Recycling Drop-offs and Events

<https://www.countyofkane.org/Recycling/Pages/textiles.aspx>

Kane County's electronics recycler, eWorks has partnered with RewearAble to collect clothing and textiles for reuse and recycling. Both organizations are non-profits that provide sustainable employment for people with special needs.

Tip 2 Utilize public drop boxes.

Search textile recycling and your zipcode.



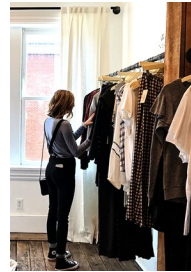
REDUCE

Tip 1 Avoid buying fast fashion.

Falling victim to quick style products is easy; do your best to steer clear of trendy clothing which will end up being thrown away after a few wears.

Tip 2 Think long

term. Buy products that will not only last, but that can be worn for more than 4 or 5 years.



Tip 3 Shop for the basics. By having basic clothing products as opposed to statement pieces, you will have more items to mix and match rather than products that will only be used a handful of times.

Tip 4 Sometimes higher prices can be a good thing.

Spending a little more to invest in quality clothing help items last longer.



Tip 5 Do some research into the brands you purchase. Find brands that fit your style, make you feel good, and have a positive impact on the environment and those who live in it.



REUSE

Tip 1 Refashion your old clothes into something new. You can turn old shirts into quilts, rugs, grocery bags and dish rags. The possibilities are endless.

Tip 2 Swap clothing with family and friends.

This is a win-win situation.

You get rid of the clothes that you no longer want and gain new clothing to mix and match with the items that you still have at home.



Tip 4 Make your clothes last longer.

There are two main ways to do this: buy quality clothing, and follow savvy washing and drying tips like using a drying rack rather than machine drying and drying darks inside out.

Tip 5 Host a garage sale.

Tip 6 Go to the thrift store. Whether you are just dropping off your old clothes or shopping for new-to-you products, thrift stores provide the ultimate way to reduce your impact on the environment and your wallet.

Tip 7 Consign and resell. Consignment stores provide great solutions for those who want to recycle of their old clothing and shop for gently used name brand products.