

# What We Can Do Today

## Enduring Understandings:

Innovative technologies and policies will address the serious problem of excessive carbon dioxide emissions and our dangerous dependence on fossil fuel.

## Essential Questions:

- To what extent should energy efficiency be a part of the solution? Will we need to suffer to become energy efficient? What does this mean to you and how might it affect others?
- Which measures can families, schools and communities start right now to live efficiently and to move toward sustainability? How realistic is this?
- What about the carbon dioxide already in the atmosphere?
- Are there guiding principles embraced by the model green communities of Samsø, Denmark, and Greensburg, Kansas, that should be followed by others?
- What could be the ecological-economic consequences of ignoring the dangers of climate change and not developing renewable, energy efficient technologies?
- What should be done next at the City, State and Federal levels?



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*“As individuals we need to make sure the homes that we live in and the places that we work are efficient and we’re using renewable energy.”*

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