



# Environmental Guidelines

As Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, Associates, Consociates, 'Ohana and Familia de San José, we strive to be “beacons of hope” and commit ourselves to responding to the crisis of Earth and global warming, with the direction and inspiration of *Laudato Si'* (2019 Congregational Chapter Statement of Future Direction).

## **To further this commitment, we will strive to:**

1. Discern environmental impacts for our choices: “How does this action/decision affect the earth community?” (Acts of Chapter 2013)
2. Be intentional in our use and purchase of consumer goods.
3. Reduce waste by eliminating single-use products.
4. Purchase fair-trade and environmentally friendly products and services.
5. Choose environmentally friendly means of transportation.
6. Transition to vehicles that use sustainable technology.
7. Evaluate our environmental footprint in our homes and province centers to increase energy efficiency.
8. Increase the use of renewable energy in heating, cooling, lighting, and water.
9. Dedicate a portion of our properties for eco-friendly habitats.
10. Use environmental criteria in our corporate investment practices.