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Energy Idea:

If every home in America replaced just one light bulb with an Energy Star bulb, The US could **save** 10 billion a year in **energy** costs.

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Energy Idea:

For every dollar **invested** in public transportation, four dollars are generated in **local** business revenues.

www.publictransportation.org

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Energy Idea:

If just one in 10 Americans relied on **public transportation** to get where we're going, our reliance on foreign oil would be reduced by up to 40%.

www.athenstransit.com

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Energy Idea:

US Home buyers are willing to pay 11-25% more for **green** buildings. Simple measures to energy retrofit save energy while adding **value** to your home.

www.communityhousingpartners.org

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Energy Idea:

Home Improvements that **save** money on annual **energy** costs increase property value by a 20 to 1 ratio.

www.energykraft.com

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Sustainability Facts:

The average size of a new home in the US has increased from 1500 square feet in 1970 to about 2300 square feet today. At the same time, average family size has decreased from more than 3 people per household to about 2. That is over a 100% increase in square footage per person.

Department of Energy (www.eia.doe.gov/emev/efficiency/ee_ch3.htm)

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Sustainability Facts:

The annual cost of obesity to society is estimated at nearly 117 billion dollars.

<http://www.hhs.gov/asl/testify/t031001a.html>

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Sustainability Facts:

Gridded streets, as opposed to cul-de-sacs decrease distance traveled on every trip, and can result in 70% fewer fatal accidents.

<http://www.newurbannews.com>

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Sustainability Facts:

A family with one full-time worker earning minimum wage cannot afford local fair-market rent for a two bedroom apartment anywhere in the United States.

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/>

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Sustainability Facts:

‘Passive energy strategies deployed now will protect you from energy cost increases indefinitely.’

UK College of Design, School of Architecture

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Sustainability Facts:

While 71% of adults walked or rode their bikes to school as a child, only 17% of their children do the same.

2003 National Survey by researchers at Rutgers and Cornell

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Sustainability Facts:

A typical food item in the United States travels 1,500 to 2,000 miles to reach a dinner plate.

<http://www.epa.gov/region1/greenconventions/solidwaste.html>

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