

## **Climate Change**

## Actions you can take:

- Shop local to support our farms, local fishers, small businesses, and reduce your carbon footprint
- Avoid balloons and plastic containers, straws, and utensils to reduce plastic waste which has to get shipped off Island
- Bring your own reusable water bottles and shopping bags to reduce plastic waste and paper bag waste
- Refill your water bottles at free refill stations located throughout the Island instead of buying bottled water
- Turn off your car engine instead of idling it to minimize emissions and save fuel
- Ride bikes and electric public buses and walk when possible to reduce fossil fuel use
- Stay off dunes and marsh grasses because they protect us from storm surges
- Dispose of fishing gear and single use plastics so they don't end up on beaches or harming ocean wildlife
- Wash the dishes, shave, and brush your teeth without keeping the water running to conserve the Island's fresh water
- Take shorter showers to save energy and water
- Compost food scraps and recycle to reduce waste on the Island



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## **Actions Edgartown has been taking:**

- Memorial Wharf has been raised two feet
- Inductive chargers have been installed under Church Street so the VTA can transition to all electric buses
- Electric car chargers have been installed at the Park and Ride lot at Dark Woods Road
- The entrances to South Beach and Norton Point have been moved back from the ocean



