A round up of resources to round out the year

For individuals:
Green lifestyle tips
CSSI corralled students from across UVic and came up with this collection of ideas and info to help all of us walk a little more lightly on the planet. We’ve also got more health and wellness info for everyone on our website!

For business owners and managers:
The United Nations Global Compact
Nine thousand, one hundred and forty-six companies (yup, 9,146) companies (so far) have answered the call to join the world’s largest corporate sustainability initiative. Members are people who run companies that work to align their strategies and operations with 10 universal principles on human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption, and take actions that advance societal goals.

For educators:
United Nations Global Compact Principles for Responsible Management Education
PRME or Prime, as it is affectionately known, builds on the UN Global Compact to provide support for the people in 637 institutions that are educating current and future business leaders. At Gustavson, we use the six principles as a framework to examine how we integrate sustainability and social responsibility throughout our students’ education. You can see it in action in CSSI’s Year in Review, for example.

For families and individuals:
My Recyclopedia
This online resource was created by and is hosted by the Capital Regional District in British Columbia, Canada. And lots of the info isn’t location specific!

If you type Styrofoam into the search box, for example, you’ll learn what it’s made of, why not to burn it, how much of it ends up in the North Pacific Ocean Gyre, what it can be recycled into, and several productive ways to reuse it.

For government, managers, and individuals:
Sustainable Development Goals
On Jan 1, 2016, the 17 Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development — adopted by world leaders in September 2015 — officially came into force. Over the next 15 years, countries will mobilize to end all forms of poverty, fight inequalities and tackle climate change.

National governments have the responsibility to establish their frameworks for the achievement of the goals and for follow-up and review of the progress. Regional follow-up and review will be based on national-level analyses and contribute to follow-up and review at the global level.

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