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**Newsletter #118** 

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the issue #118 of our What Can You Do Weekly Newsletter!

### **Editors' comment**

For the duration of the COVID 19 pandemic, in addition to our normal coverage of important SDG matters, we are providing additional information and advice on COVID-19 issues. This is being done in this Newsletter, via a feed into our website (and within the WCYDo APP when published in the iOS & Android App Stores) to help readers avoid infection and manage further spread of the virus.

Some people may not previously have seen the relevance of SDGs or why we need to care about issues and people or the need to improve conditions in our own and other countries. However, the COVID-19 pandemic frighteningly illustrates what an inter- connected World we live in. A World where an incident in one location can have a worldwide impact causing enormous Global health and economic problems - killing many thousands - even in the richest countries with the best health resources.

We all live in One-World. Unless we all start to understand the critical and urgent importance of dealing with emerging issues such as pollution, climate change, infections etc affecting our own and other less prosperous countries, the consequences will come to haunt us on our own doorsteps.

Stay safe, keep well!

**WCYDO Editors** 

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Check the latest weekly updates on SDGs - shocking facts as used in the original development of the SDGs to share with family & friends, encouraging them to become more active and to join our community to "Save our World"!

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### **COVID-19 News Feed**

### Coronavirus – How to protect myself



- The UK army believes insect repellent may protect people from the coronavirus and scientists have started tests. Find out more via the link.
- More and more countries across Europe have started lifting their lockdowns. Here's how they're working out. Read <a href="here">here</a>.
- A serious new coronavirus-related condition may be emerging in children, with UK doctors reporting growing numbers requiring intensive care. <u>Follow</u> the link to learn more.
- Research suggests the coronavirus can linger in the air in crowded areas and hospital rooms - but you probably won't walk through virus "clouds". Check the link for more information.
- Coronavirus is not just a health crisis it's an environmental justice crisis. Read here.



- Using millions of maggots to slow down climate change. Read <a href="here">here</a>.
- We're repeating one of the worst mistakes of the Ebola outbreak in the hunt for a coronavirus cure. Read <a href="here">here</a>.
- Climate strikes continue online: "We want to keep the momentum going". Read here.
- Why facing our feelings is essential for tackling our climate crisis. Learn more here.
- Recycling myth of the month: those numbered symbols on single-use plastics do not mean "you can recycle me". Find out more via the <u>link</u>.
- Scientists warn worse pandemics are on the way if we don't protect nature. Read here.
- Flooding will affect double the number of people worldwide by 2030. Follow the link to find out more.
- Nature crisis: "Insect apocalypse" more complicated than thought. Read <a href="here">here</a>.
- Waves are generating power just one of many signs of hope for our planet.
  Check the <u>link</u> to learn more.

# **Mother Earth Blog**

## Earth day - Help me to survive!



"As you know from a previous blog, I was born 4.5 billion years ago and for most of my life I was a lonely, barren and uninhabited rock floating through space. Then a miracle happened and to my great joy, I gradually changed into a beautiful Planet with my lands, oceans and air teaming with life and vegetation and all living eco systems in harmonious balance. I was delighted and proud to be mother to such profusion of life and to become known throughout the Universe as Mother Earth"

### Read more via the link:

https://whatcanyoudo.earth/mother-earths-blog/earth-day-help-me-to-survive/

# Tips of the week

(Please share with friends, family and work colleagues and encourage them to join our community and help create a safer, fairer world for all)

# Simple Ways to Help the Environment

- Use Reusable Bags
- Print as Little as Necessary
- Recycle

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