

action bingo

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Studies (and recent events) have shown that large corporations may bring convenience and cheaper goods and services but the negative impact to local economies and communities are significant.

Here are a few ways we can take action to rebuild and fortify our local communities.

Use cash
instead of
credit cards

Buy something
used on FB
Markeplace or
OfferUp

Buy from local
grocers (eg
Harbor Greens,
Tacoma Boys)

Join the
Tacoma Tool
Library

Join a local
credit union

Meet someone
for coffee at a
locally owned
cafe

Support
locally owned
shops (eg Mail
Room, Curious
Bear, Grit City)

Avoid using
Amazon. Buy
local instead.

Watch a movie
on Kanopy
(free with
library card)

Buy from local
farmers and
farmer markets

Gift to a Buy
Nothing
community

Invite a friend
to try a new
(for you) local
restaurant

FREE

Buy something
useful from a
yard sale
nearby

Support local
journalism (eg
Tacoma News
Tribune, KUOW)

Share tools
with neighbors

Support local
cinemas (eg
Grand Cinema,
Blue Mouse)

Donate or
volunteer at
local
food banks

Support life
assistance non-
profits (eg
AIDNW, St
Vincent, Faith
Action Network)

Visit the UP or
Tacoma Library
for classes,
books, videos,
etc.

Attend local
performances
(eg Tacoma
Musical
Playhouse,
Little Theater)

Learn about
new economic
development
on your city's
website.

Grow and
share
vegetables
with your
community

Shop at a thrift
or vintage
store

Buy in bulk and
share with
neighbors



Some facts:

- Credit unions are non-for-profit and member-owned.
- There are no tariffs on used goods.
- 68% or *\$68 out of every \$100* spent at local stores remains in the local economy.
- 35 major U.S. corporations — including Ford, Netflix and Tesla—paid less federal income taxes between 2018 and 2022 than they paid their top five executives.

Some resources:

- Tacoma Tool Library has over 2,500+ tools--borrow a tool for two weeks for no charge (\$20-60/yr membership donation).
- Libraries have many free services including Kanopy for streaming & \$5/week copies.

Questions to keep in mind:

- How can we keep more money in our local economy?
- How can we invest in our local community?
- How do we divest from corporations who actively work to dismantle and degrade unions, the rule of law, our environment?
- How can we support local, community-minded policies and policy makers?
- What other local resources do we have? How can we support them?