

TIPS FOR SAVING ON NON-FOOD DOLLARS

- Buy clothes at a resale shop.
- Make gifts.
- Make your own birthday cards.
- Use dishtowels instead of paper towels.
- For spot remover, use two parts water to one part rubbing alcohol.
- Use hair shampoo on soiled clothes before laundering.
- Apply a paste of vinegar and baking soda on stains.
- Clean your iron with toothpaste.
- Shine appliances in your kitchen with rubbing alcohol or club soda.
- Buy next year's clothes at the end of this season.
- Go to garage sales.
- Buy dish and laundry soap in large containers.
- Wrap gifts in brown paper from bags and decorate.
- Reuse jars, cartons, and bottles for storage.
- Shop at discount stores.
- Get movies and music from the library.
- Turn off the lights.
- Hang up your towel to use again.
- Wash only full loads in the washing machine and dishwasher.
- Avoid clothing that must be dry-cleaned.
- Sell your good used clothing in consignment stores.
- Fill an old spray bottle with white vinegar and water for a glass, counter top, tub and tile cleaner.
- Grow your own flowers to decorate your home.



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