



Positive Distraction

Understandably, for all New Yorkers, this is a time of great uncertainty, stress and fear. Issues that may have been on the top of our priority list before Covid-19, have been replaced with more immediate concerns such as, keeping ourselves safe, loss of routine and isolation, or the status of our finances. If you need a break from checking the news or binge watching Netflix, here are four **positive** green climate stories to distract and hopefully uplift you.

[How South Korea is Composting its Way to Sustainability](#)

Read how South Korea made it illegal to send food waste to landfills and reduced its per person food waste to $\frac{3}{4}$ of a pound a day-the equivalent of a couple of grapefruits. The key to success of the policy was education. Learn also about the efforts of NY City Councilman Antonio Reynoso to pass legislation to make curbside pick up mandatory throughout the city.

[Harlem Grown](#)

Watch this video of a successful neighborhood gardening effort which renovates abandoned lots in Harlem and transforms them into thriving urban farms. Currently, they have 12 urban agriculture facilities ranging from soil-based farms, hydroponic greenhouses and school gardens.

[Where the Virus and Climate Intersect](#)

Read how Democratic legislators are attempting to attach promises of future reduction in emissions to the airline bailout.

Traffic and Pollution Plummet

An unexpected and bittersweet benefit of sheltering in place is that air pollution in the U.S. is improving. Check out the satellite maps [here](#).

And finally, to bring a smile to your face and nourishment to your soul watch this [YouTube of Yo-Yo Ma performing as a 7 year old](#)

BE Well!

