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Dharma Master Cheng Yen in a speech in 1990 called for the public “to do recycling with our clapping hands.” Since then Tzu Chi volunteers have started to promote recycling and established recycling education stations. Regardless of age, educational level, recycling volunteers face the dirty rubbish with humbleness and bend down to care for our earth.

From caring for our earth to caring for our heart, Tzu Chi promotes healthy diet of more fruits and vegetables and less meat, a simple lifestyle, reduce our carbon footprint and incorporating recycling into our daily lives.

The 5 Elements of Practising Environmental Protection in Daily Life:

- Start young
- Living habits
- Education & knowledge
- family affairs
- Peace of mind



Tzu Chi International Humanitarian Aid Association (TIHAA)

In order to support the disaster relief team and provide smooth and efficient services towards the relieving work as well as to comply well with the aid requirements, a group of Taiwanese entrepreneurs, consist of various professionals, founded the TIHAA in 2004, which is based on the spirit of unconditional giving, the Great Love. This is a very systematic voluntary team, doing back office work and R&D, the team is developing all types of relieving materials with recycling concepts, thus improving the quality of relieving.

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- 1990: start promotion of Environmental Protection
- Now 17 countries, 5,462 recycling centres and 76,219 volunteers.
- 2008: weight to recycled materials in Taiwan: 117,902,949 Kg; trees saved: 1,421,383

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