

For Kids, By Kids

Striving for... Zero Waste Community

There is no such thing as waste in nature! That is True Zero Waste!

What is our Zero Waste Goal?

ZERO WASTE for us means, recycling of **ALL** materials back into nature or the marketplace in a manner that protects human health and the environment.

Why should we control our waste? Here are the benefits:

• Saves Natural Resources:



- Reprocessing used materials to make new products reduces the consumption of natural resources (Many natural resources that we use are non-renewable)
- Cleaner Environment:
 - Less hazardous materials and chemicals around us will improve the cleanliness of our environment and provide healthier living conditions
- Reduces Green House Gas emission
 - o Helps slow down climate change



WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Clothing and accessories:

Note: Reuse / Donate good shoes and clothes.

For ragged textiles and shoes that are NOT good for reuse, drop it at the proper collection centers. To find the closest center, check the US Textile Recycling directorv at http://www.wipingrag.net/usa

> Raise your awareness on your actions and consequences

Hazardous materials / Chemicals / **Electronic Waste / Pharmaceuticals:**

These items must be dropped off only at the appropriate collection centers.

You can check with your local waste management services organizations for the closest location for drop-off.

For CA directory of collection centers: www.calrecycle.ca.gov

Make wiser choices as a consumer:

When buying products ensure it is a good choice for your health and the environment.

> Help STOP Plastic Caps

pollution!

PLASTIC CAPS....an environmental hazard

Marine pollution statistics shows that the plastic caps are one of the top 10 materials causing pollution and plastic caps litter has become a huge environmental hazard!

Americans use 2.5 million plastic bottles every hour. That is 150 billion caps or 700 million pounds of plastic caps every year. About 90% of plastic caps end up as litter in our landfills and in our oceans.



Green Kids Now is directly helping to reduce Plastic Caps litter. We are placing plastic caps collection bins at various locations. The collected caps, will be separated and sorted into Polypropylene and Polyethylene with the help of volunteers, and then shredded at AHG Recycling, Newark, CA, and made ready for manufacturing new products.

For drop-off locations, details on this plastic caps recycling project, and to be part of the solution, visit: www.GreenKidsNow.org

