

Sustainability means having a healthy relationship with the natural environment around us. We know that the balance between the natural world/environment and how humans live healthily is important.

Ultimately, if we don't look after our natural world, we risk our health. We rely on resources that the earth produces to be able to live. An ecosystem is a habitat with living organisms, including plants and animals, co-existing and creating a healthy environment. Without a healthy ecosystem, we would suffer the effects of poor air quality, dirty drinking water, and unhealthy food chains.



## **HOW DOES LITTER END UP IN THE OCEAN?**

If trash is dropped on the ground, it can become marine litter–even if you don't live anywhere near the ocean. Litter can travel to faraway places via storm drains, streams, canals, and rivers. Along its journey, litter harms wildlife and pollutes our rivers and lakes.

With a few small gestures, you can create a positive change in your community and help protect wildlife, the environment, and the planet! And the best part? It's easy!

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