

TRASH FREE COMMUNITY

YOUR LITTER HITS CLOSE TO HOME.



Trash Free Script for Short Presentation to a Sports Team or other Youth activity

Leader: *Before showing any photos, ask if they are having fun, practicing hard, etc*

Are you drinking lots of water or Gatorade and having snacks to make sure you have lots of energy?

What do you do with your water bottles or chip bags when you are done? *(have a sample available)*

Response from children: trash can or recycle

Leader: Great, but have you ever seen that some people don't do that. How many of you have been walking in the park or down the street and seen litter?

Respond to their comment, Hopefully they will say yes and start talking about how gross it is.

Leader: Do you like having that there in your neighborhood?

Respond to comments, Hopefully they will say NO.

Leader: Do you know where it ends up?

Response: somebody picks it up, silence...

Leader: Many times it gets washed down the drain and ends up in the creek near your house and then goes to the river. *Show the photos.* What do you think of that? Do you like having trash in your river, in your drinking water?

Leader: What can you do to help?

Response: Put in a trash can, recycle, hang on to trash until you can find a trash can, tell people to pick up their trash if they drop it.

If they don't have response, prompt them for the above answers.

Leader: There's something else you can do. We are trying to share with the whole city that we want to "Take Control of our trash" and you can be on my team.

- We have these posters and stickers that you can use to share with others. See how this child is playing in trash, we don't want our communities, we don't want our neighborhood to be like that
- Please help me by hanging this poster up somewhere where people will see it. Make sure you ask an adult first.
- And here is a sticker - this will be good to put on your notebook or maybe ask an adult another good place you can put it.
- Please help us spread the word so we can solve this problem!

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Piece by piece, litter adds up, and makes the places we go to every day unsafe and unhealthy.

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