



Scouting for Clean Waterways

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Scouts and Venturers can gain knowledge on the importance of reducing personal and organizational consumption of disposable plastics and adopting sustainable practices in their daily lives. They can share their knowledge through a combination of education, practical actions, and community engagement.

Here's a guide on how Scouts and Venturers can achieve this:

Education and Awareness:

- Organize educational sessions or workshops within your unit to raise awareness about the environmental impact of plastic pollution. This can include discussions, presentations, and screenings of documentaries highlighting the issue.
- Provide resources such as articles, fact sheets, videos, and infographics to help Scouts and Venturers understand the sources, impacts, and alternatives to plastic consumption.

Reduce Plastic Use:

- Encourage all Scouts and Venturers to adopt plastic-free habits in their daily lives. This can include using reusable water bottles, bags, and containers instead of single-use plastics.
- Explore alternatives to plastic packaging and products, such as choosing items with minimal or recyclable packaging or opting for products made from sustainable materials.
- Organize plastic-free events and activities within your unit, such as plastic-free camping trips.

Promote Proper Recycling and Waste Management:

- Explore what materials can be recycled in your communities.
- Educate your members about the importance of proper recycling and waste disposal.
- Teach them how to properly sort and recycle different types of materials, including the variety of plastics, paper, glass, and metal.

Advocate for Change:

- Encourage Scouts and Venturers to become advocates for reducing plastic pollution in their communities. This can involve writing letters to local officials, businesses, or schools urging them to take action to reduce plastic consumption and implement policies to address plastic pollution.
- Participate in campaigns and initiatives aimed at reducing plastic use and promoting sustainable alternatives, such as Plastic-Free July.

Share Knowledge and Skills:

- Encourage Scouts and Venturers to share their knowledge and skills on reducing plastic consumption with their families, friends, and peers. This can be done through social media, blogs, or community presentations.
- Collaborate with other Scouting units, schools, or community organizations to organize workshops or events on plastic reduction and environmental conservation.

By combining education, practical actions, and community engagement, Scouts and Venturers can learn to reduce plastic consumption and become advocates for a healthier, more sustainable planet.

SCOUTS *for* SDGs

Scouting For Clean Waterways supports several Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) outlined by the United Nations, including:

- Clean Water and Sanitation
- Life Below Water
- Life on Land
- Responsible Consumption and Production
- Partnerships for the Goals

Together, let's make a positive impact on our environment and protect our precious water resources for future generations. Join us for Scouting For Clean Waterways!

