

SAVE YOUR CAPS!

Collecting plastic caps has value not only in terms of sustainability but also in terms of money!

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OBJECTIVES

Create collection points for bottle caps

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EXPECTED RESULTS

Collect Polyethylene (PE) or High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) and deliver them to companies that can recycle and reuse them while greatly limiting the environmental impact (due to the large quantities of oil, water and energy to produce the same material from scratch)

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TERRITORIAL SCOPE

The more the collection spreads, the higher the value of the collected caps will be!

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PEOPLE INVOLVED

Schools, condominiums, friends, offices, shops, in the neighborhood

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OBSTACLES

Purchase containers and maintain active collection points

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HOW COULD YOU IMPLEMENT IT?

BASIC APPROACH



Organize in your neighborhood a collection points for used bottle caps involving schools, offices, shops and condominiums in the neighbourhood. Look for associations to donate them to (e.g. Red Cross in Italy, Les Bouchons d'amour in France)

CREATIVE APPROACH



Since this material has an economic value, find companies interested in purchasing the collected caps! You will find several on the Internet. The proceeds can be used for projects in your neighborhood! For a single family (4 people) a value of €10 to €20 per year can be estimated! Many families can make a difference!

MAIN STEPS

Find an association in the area that collects the caps

Find (and customize) some rather large containers

Deliver a container to various collection points, where you will have glued a flyer explaining the caps collection project

Periodically organize the collection of the caps (depending on the filling) and deliver them

Stakeholders

Neighbours

Friends

Social Networks contacts

Families in the neighbourhood or municipality

Local administration

Companies that purchase PE and HDPE

Find a company interested in buying the caps. Define a purchase agreement

Stimulate citizens to join the collection by finding a common project to realise with the collected funds

Find partners where to place collection boxes