

### Potential Project

Charlotte Dilworth South End Rotary Club



What does this look like to you?



## Most popular area of focus?

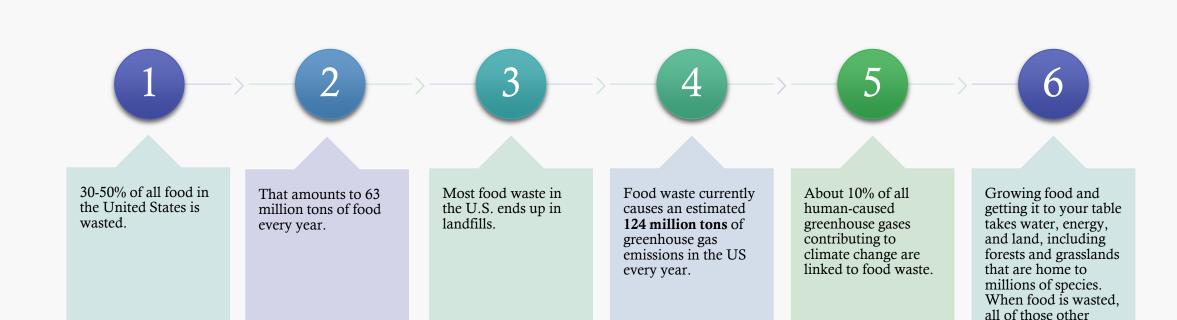
## Type of project?

Combination of hands-on and financial support

# Local or global project?

Certainly local but with measurable global implications

#### Background



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- ♦ Joe Richardson of the Southern Frederick Rotary Club has created a complete toolkit Rotarians can use to launch a program to empower schools to divert organics from landfills called "Lunch out of Landfills".
- ♦ Joe led a pilot test in one Frederick County elementary school recently where Fifth graders documented an 85% reduction in the volume of waste sent to the landfill.
- ♦ This also slashed the emissions caused by transporting garbage to the landfill over 60 miles away from the school.
- ♦ Frederick County Superintendent Dr. Theresa Alban, also a Rotarian, was so impressed that she allocated \$10,000 to help expand the project to a total of 14 schools this year.
- ♦ We know this can be done in our area because Whitewater Middle School conducted a food waste audit earlier this year for just one day.
- ♦ They determined that from one day's lunch, just over 700 students at Whitewater generated 207 pounds of food waste and other compostable material, just over 50 pounds of discarded liquid and almost 16 pounds of trays, said Jeffie Hardin, staff coordinator for the school's Green Team environmental club.

#### Proposal

- 1. Designated speakers would address the topic of food waste to the Interact Club with the goal being to achieve a "Climate Commitment" compact between the Club, the School and the Charlotte Dilworth South End Rotary Club.
- 2. The Interact Club at iMeck would initiate a 30-day education and awareness building campaign complete with posters on the problem of food waste and its impact on our climate.
- 3. Interact Club at iMeck would conduct a food waste audit over a one-week period to determine how much food is wasted and steps the school might take to improve its Climate Commitment.

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- 4. If funding can be identified, we can pursue a sustainable program at iMeck which would enable less food waste but more importantly, better distribution of materials currently going into waste designated for landfills.
- 5. Steps would be taken by the Interact Club to mentor lower-grade students in order to continue the emphasis on Climate Commitment.
- 6. Ultimately, this project will provide these students with an impressive accomplishment for their college resumes, an opportunity they currently lack.

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