WHAT IS YOUR SCHOOL DOING ABOUT ITS WASTE?

Your school is a living laboratory for the study of waste. With quantifiable data, students can diagnose problems, identify opportunities, and ground solutions in school-based research. In this section of Waste Deep, students will learn about cases when citizen scientists used groundbreaking data to expose environmental issues and drive positive social change. Students will select and prepare a research tool to investigate the waste-related knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors of themselves, their peers, and the adults in their community. Students can analyze their findings, present summaries to their peers, and use their research to guide their action plans. Included here are several research templates for students to use as citizen scientists:

- Waste Journal
- Cafeteria Observations
- Schoolwide Bin Tally
- Student Survey
- Recycling Inspections
- Waste Investigation