

Operation Wildlife 2025-26

2E - WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

SUGGESTIONS AND IDEAS

Purpose: *A question posed after the presentation is what can a fourth grader do? Hopefully, these ideas will be helpful. Obviously, this is not an exhaustive list and the children may think of more possibilities during your discussion. Please share these possibilities when you assign them to do their Goal Setting activity. Thank you!*

- As stated in the presentation, recycle cans, glass, and newspaper, as well as anything else that can be recycled, in the Blue trash can.
- Reuse household items such as plastic bags for garbage, take-out containers, etc.
- Bring your home lunch in a reusable bag.
- Bring your water in a reusable container.
- Outdoor pet bowls for food and water should be emptied and washed at night to prevent cats and even mongoose and rats from hanging out at your house.
- Pick up rubbish you see on the ground and at the beach when you are there. Be sure that the trash is inside the can and cannot fly back out.
- Join a beach clean-up with your parents or your class. You can also pick up litter in a park or on the school grounds. Wear protective gloves when you do this!
- Participate with your parents or other adults in cleaning up streams, rivers, or beaches.
- With the help of the Humane Society, set traps to catch wild cats, dogs or mongoose, which are invasive and harmful to other species, especially our native birds.
- Volunteer with your parents for a whale count event.
- Lead by example, for instance, not littering.
- Talk to other people about what you learned during the Operation Wildlife (OWL) presentation. Encourage them to help take care of our environment!
- When someone offers you a slightly used but still good thing, whether it's a shirt or shorts or a pair of soccer shoes, try it out first before saying no. Reusing items instead of throwing them away is a good thing.
- Tell your parents about the Assistance League of Hawaii Thrift Shop at 1505 Young Street, and encourage them to donate to help fund the OWL program as well as other community programs that benefit the children of Hawaii. Also encourage them to shop at the Thrift Shop! Money made there go toward helping children and families in Hawaii.