# TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

SMALL CHANGES IN BEHAVIOR CAN HAVE A BIG IMPACT ON OUR PLANET!

VHEN YOU THROW SOMETHING AWAY, **WHERE DOES IT GO?** 





















YOUCAN DRAMATICALLY REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF TRASH THAT IS THROWN AWAY BY TAKING A FEW EASY STEPS:



REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF MATERIALS YOU USE, WHICH REUSE MATERIALS WHEN POSSIBLE



RECYCLE WHENEVER POSSIBLE



RETHINK THE MATERIALS





BY **THINKING ABOUT WHAT WE'RE USING** AN TO REDUCE THE WASTE WE PRODUCE, WE CA **CREATE A CLEANER, HEALTHIER ENVIRON** 





WHAT IS MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE (MSW)?





DID YOU KNOW?































OUR PROGRESS



WHILE THE AMOUNT OF MSW PRODUCED
WENT UP PER PERSON PER DAY, RECYCLING HAS ALSO INCREASED.



IN 2017,**OVER 24 MILLION TONS** OF YARD TRIMMINGS WERE COMPOSTED...



water the state of MSW GOING TO LANDFILLS DROPPED



2017 TO 139.6 MILLION TONS

# HOW YOU CAN HELP

MAKE A **DIFFERENCE TODAY!** If we all take **small steps every day** to reduce the amount of waste we produce, **we can help protect the planet** for generations to come.

For more information, visit www.epa.gov/recycle.



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