Small Actions Make a Big Difference
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It is a pleasure to be given an opportunity to share the actions I have been taking recently to make a better community and the world. Since January, I have participated in the project called the “Technovation” with my 3 friends in my grade. The fundamental goal of this program is to create our own app that can solve our community conflicts and enhance our society by applying the skills of coding and enterprise.

I was asked to take part in this valuable activity by my math teacher in our school. At first, I hesitated in taking the suggestion into an action, but since the primary purpose of this project is to engage the people in the world to identify the problems occurring in the society and promote them to help out the community proactively, I made a decision to encounter myself although it would be challenging. Thus, I started to assemble my friends who are also passionate to give out hands for the better world. The first step we took was to gather up our ideas of diverse problems that we are exposed to the most in our daily lives. In terms of linking community-related conflicts and the UN Sustainable Development Goals, we determined to take the “No poverty” as an account. The major reason is that in Thailand, we see abundant beggars and poor people out in the streets who are lacking in the ability to sustain their own lives. It is poignant to witness them every day in our lives, but we as students don’t really give full attention and consider as a big deal. Hence, our team established our goal to encourage people to perceive those people in need and voluntarily donate to them by walking every day. This will also contribute to another SDGs, the “Good health and well-being” since more people will start to walk more instead of using other transportations.

We tend to think that we as an individual are not sufficient enough to change the world or the community. Actually, there is a greater possibility that we justify our indolence by rationalizing that others will take actions for us and they are more powerful than the ones we do. However, we all know in heart that this is inadequate; we need to be zealous and genuinely care from the bottom of our heart to improve the world we live these days. The world today is collapsing day by day due to the unlimited greed of human beings, so we should bring back the unpolluted world we used to live in the past. Not only in the environmental aspects, but in other conflicts: poverty, gender equality, and peace-held in the society can be managed by our own actions. The matter is not the size of the influence we exert, but how much we actually care about the world. In a nutshell, I would like to affirm that “Small actions make a big difference”.

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