



What is the Problem?

Our planet is facing a global water crisis, and our class wanted to learn more about the problems so we could find a way to help. Here are just some of the things we discovered during our research:

- Every 90 seconds, a child dies from water related diseases
- Over $\frac{1}{3}$ of all people in China, India and Africa lack access to clean water
- The majority of people on Earth walk an average of three or more hours a day to retrieve water (which may not be clean or safe)
- Many national governments and the World Bank have deemed water a “commodity” and are actively buying and selling water out from under small villages and communities all over the world, leaving their aquifers and wells dry
- A multitude of massive corporations are now able to “purchase” the water that their factories require for production of sodas, candies and processed foods
- Each $\frac{1}{2}$ liter of soda produced wastes 12 liters of water during the entire process

Our Solution

One thing we have learned in this class is that in order to create change we need to change how we, as citizens, react to problems. We were inspired by the stories about the Montgomery Bus Boycott, and how that affected change during the Civil Rights Era. We decided that the best way to protect our world’s water is to boycott the companies who are profiting off stealing water that belongs to everyone. These companies include, Coca-Cola, Pepsi, Nestle, Quaker and Starbucks. Tell these companies that you support the right to clean water for ALL by not giving them your hard earned money. Please put this sticker somewhere to spread the word.

Malama i ka wai
Protect Water