

## Facts About Waste

- Every minute, **one million** water bottles are sold worldwide
- In 2020, an estimated **half a trillion** water bottles will be sold worldwide
- Approximately **93%** of American plastics start with oil or natural gas
- **91%** of all plastic is not recycled
- More than **2,000** plastic microfibers per gram go into the wastewater when washing fleece clothing
- The polyester industry uses **342 million** barrels of oil annually
- **4,491,275 pounds** of plastic trash was removed by 4Ocean, an environment organization, from the ocean and coastline, paid for through the selling of bracelets
- Rothys, a sustainable shoe manufacturer, has repurposed **31,759,036** plastic water bottles as a result of its manufacturing process
- **22.6 tons** of polyester is annually produced worldwide
- According to CBS News, Amazon's package deliveries in 2017 emitted approximately **19 million metric tons** of carbon, the equivalent of nearly five coal power plants
- According to CBS News, Amazon's cloud computing business is supported by more than 50 data centers across the world, and each data center consumes as much power as a small town
- Amazon has promised to disclose its carbon emission figures this year
- In 1990 we bought an average of **40 garments** a year; today we average **66 garments** resulting in over-consumption
- The average American throws out **70 pounds** of clothing each year



- Clothing sent to landfills has increased **450%** compared to 1980 disposal totals
- Since much of the clothing sent to landfills today is made of synthetic materials including polyester, it will not fully decompose during our lifetimes

*What we do makes a difference!*















