

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Climate change is one of many problems we're experiencing in today's world. Another big global problem is homelessness. In 2018, there were more than 320,000 homeless people in the UK, according to the charity Shelter. Here are some ideas that can help to make a difference to the lives of homeless people in your area.

► **DONATE**

Obviously, you can give money to charities, but you can also give warm clothes such as coats, jumpers and socks. This makes a real difference to homeless people, especially in cold weather.

► **VOLUNTEER**

Why not volunteer at a local homeless shelter? You can do simple things like serving food, washing up and cleaning floors.

► **USE TECHNOLOGY**

Use your smartphone to help the homeless. In some cities you can download an app and read the stories of homeless people in your area, and donate money directly.

► **EDUCATE YOURSELF**

Find out about what causes people to become homeless. Every person living on the streets has his or her own story.

- 3 Their 'global connection' is with Portugal.
- 4 Their solution to their problem is to find and stop fires as early as possible.
- 5 The competition is in Stockholm.
- 6 They are the only team who are not from Europe.
- 7 They finish second in the international competition.

4 Read the text and answer these questions.

- 1 How many people were living on the streets in the UK in 2018?
- 2 What things can we do when we volunteer?
- 3 How can people find out about homeless people in some areas?

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