

Michigan's lakes and rivers. "It's kept our community a lot cleaner," he says.

Mateo and his dad also did pickups, sometimes with friends from school



who joined to help during busy weekends. "We would borrow my grandpa's truck," Mateo recalls. "I'd just run out, knock on the door, and say, 'I'm here to pick up. It was actually a lot of fun," he says, "especially in the summertime."

"It feels humbling," Mateo says, when asked about all he's accomplished with his cleanup effort. "I am happy

knowing that all these teams and clubs and kids around the community are benefitting."

Mateo believes everyone can—and should—be of service. "Just do a little bit to help make the world a little bit of a better place," he says. "I couldn't have done it alone," Mateo says. "My family, teammates, and neighbors all played a part. It really was a team effort."

"Be creative," he adds. "Have an idea and build on it."

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Main Task

In groups, discuss and brainstorm answers to these two questions:

1. What are some real problems in your community or school that a group of students could help solve?
2. What could a team of students do to solve one of those problems? Use teamwork language in your ideas:
 - "Let's..."
 - "Why don't we..."
 - "How about..."
 - "We could..."