

**Project:** Zero Waste Movie

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**Role in School:** Student

**Description:** I would like to direct and produce a short documentary about Zero Waste living in the Boston community, specifically focusing on young adults and students. As someone who has committed to a low waste lifestyle, I am interested in exploring how the movement has spread to young demographics via social media and how young people are implementing their zero waste and low waste lifestyles. The film will document several students practicing zero waste living via interviews and filming them in their daily life. The purpose of the short film will be to encourage audiences to be more conscious of their waste management and learn about why some people are choosing to live less wasteful lifestyle

**Budget:** I would need travel and equipment costs. A rough estimate would be \$1100 for sound equipment (audio recorder, boom, mic, XLR cable), \$100 for travel (public transportation, gas, ride-shares) and \$300 for marketing (festival entry fees, other marketing expenses), totaling about \$1500

**Timeline:** My first step would be securing subjects. I already have one interviewee committed to the project, a Tufts student who has recently begun their zero waste journey. I also plan on reaching out to other people on Tufts campus living a zero waste lifestyle and local businesses who specialize in zero waste clientele. Production would most likely start in December and end around April. Post-production, or editing, would take me through to the summer, with an anticipated release in the beginning of the Fall 2020 semester or over the summer.

**People Involved:** already have a subject who attends Tufts University who has recently begun their zero waste journey. I also plan to collaborate with the Greater Boston community to find interviewees and subjects to film. My film crew would be small, consisting of myself and a sound person. As I am an FMS major and involved in TUTV, I could recruit crew from these two groups.

**Benefit to Tufts community:** With the climate crisis, sometimes it feels like the world is outside our control. While one person practicing low waste living cannot change the world, the world practicing low waste living can make a big impact. Hopefully this project will make the Tufts student body more aware of how to reduce their own waste.