

Littering in New York

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Garbage Near
Construction



Throwing garbage bags on the sidewalk



People overfilling the garbage cans

Not caring about the environment



People put their garbage on the sewers, then the cars
run over all of it



All of the garbage is thrown in one spot





People decide to put their garbage near the sewers

A suitcase is thrown out next to the garbage



**People just
throw their
garbage on
the streets
where people
park**



After their coffee, people think they can just throw it anywhere



Have you ever noticed how disgusting it is to look at a New York sidewalk in the morning? You get so used to it that you don't realize how disgusting our neighborhood really is. I think that too many New Yorkers litter and it isn't good for our environment.

Firstly, pollution can affect your health. According to, www.homeguides.com, littering can cause air pollution that isn't good for our health. People breath in all of this air and it can affect our lungs. According to nyc.gov, pollution has caused deaths in New York. Just imagine you tossing you garbage on the floor not realizing the effects of it. Joe and Cantu, the custodians in our school said, "Another solution would be to educate people about the dangers of littering and how it negatively impacts our environment and even the air we breath." This shows how people are too lazy to throw their garbage in the trashcans so they just toss it onto the floor.

Secondly, people overfill the trash and the litter baskets. From www.dnainfo.com, people in Astoria counted one single trash can in one half of a mile. That is another reason why the trash is on the sidewalks There aren't enough garbage cans. Also from nyc.gov, people in the neighborhood around all of the garbage try to pickup all of the garbage around the trash cans. This shows how even your own neighbors don't like you overfilling the garbage cans when you know that the garbage is overfilled. According to www.nydailynews.com, now some sanitation workers are going to look through the garbage and try to find mail people throw out to find names and give those people a fine.

Lastly, looking at the garbage on the streets is really disgusting. When we were walking on our walking trip, I noticed that there was so much gum on the streets and so much smoke coming out of trucks and the construction. I was so disgusted. According to www.nydailynews.com, garbage on the streets will attract rats, mice and other rodents, which makes you disgusted. Just imagine you are walking on a filthy street in the night and out of nowhere you see a rat run right past you. Wouldn't you be frightened? According to www.homeguides.com, there will be so much trash in the sewage that the sewage will end up going into the public beaches. Imagine you are at a beach with your family and you get there and the water is green. It's sickening.

In conclusion, I think that too many new Yorkers litter and it isn't good for our environment. I wrote about this topic because I was impacted by it. I do not like seeing people litter. On our neighborhood walk there was so much garbage on the streets that it got me interested in this topic. I wanted to share how disgusting our city is and how used to the garbage we are. So next time you spit out your gum on the street, or throw your candy wrapper on the sidewalk, think about the garbage cans first.