

# BEARRIERS BULLETIN

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## Battery Collection

According to GreenIT, a company that makes sustainable technology, 3 billion batteries are incorrectly disposed of every year, which is incredibly harmful to the environment due to the toxic nature of batteries. The Breaking BEARriers are trying to fix that.

The Battery Collection Project, proposed by Yashas S, was launched on April 2nd. This project aims to collect and correctly recycle at least 500 used batteries by May 10th. These batteries will be collected from various households in the Tri-Valley Bay Area. If you wish to contribute to this project, find more at:

<http://bit.ly/bbbatterycollection>



Source: Unsplash

## Tutoring Program

On April 12th, the Breaking BEARriers launched their Tutoring Program. As of now, weekly and biweekly classes have not yet opened up, but we have started providing open General Homework Help sessions from 6-7 PDT every weekday to any students that may need it.

So far, we have helped multiple students from grades K-8 with their homework in subjects such as Math, Language Arts, Reading, Mandarin Chinese, and Spanish. We have been with consistent growth in students that are attending.

The Breaking BEARriers should begin their weekly and biweekly classes program within the next two

## Long-Term Projects

Since last month, we have made progress on our various active long-term projects (besides the Tutoring Program). Here are some updates:

### NPO Research and Database Project:

Our club has done research on Non-Profit Organizations regarding certain topics including Engineering, Business, etc. We have reached out to the organization STEM in Africa (SIA) and plan on working with them in the near future.

### Book Bank:

The book bank team has been researching possible organizations to work with to distribute these leftover books, as well as planning more collection projects for the future. We are currently holding a Mother's Day Bake Sale as a fundraiser for this project.

### Environmental Research:

We have various different environmentally-related projects planned out. Because of the pandemic, many programs are closed, but we plan to do more environmental projects in the near future.

### Destination Imagination:

Our club plans to branch out and hosts more events and programs regarding Destination Imagination. For now, we can only host virtual occasions, but we hope to host more in-person group events when the pandemic clears up.

weeks, near the beginning of May. This program will include classes that teach K-8 subjects such as Math, English, Science, History, and Foreign Language.

Our club is currently in the process of providing more promotion for this program to attract more students. If you or someone you know would be interested in getting help with your school or extracurricular homework, feel free to sign up at:

<https://forms.gle/nRjNB6i9DLxwNify5>

If you want more information about our tutoring program and what services we offer, visit:

[www.breakingbearriers.org/tutoring](http://www.breakingbearriers.org/tutoring)

More information about the tutoring, including which specific subjects will be released for weekly and biweekly classes, will be revealed soon!



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