



The Stone Soup Leadership Institute's  
Story of the Week: Vihaan Agarwal, *One Step Greener*  
Week of January 31 – February 6, 2021



### Sunday: Story of the Week: Turning Trash into Trees

**#SundayThoughts:** This week's story on @Arianna Huffington's @Thrive Global shares the story of teen Vihaan Agarwal's personal zero waste journey. Read about how Vihaan and his younger brother Nav's non-profit, One Step Greener, is now turning trash into trees in India. @1stepgreener @onestep\_greener

**Thrive Global link:** <https://thriveglobal.com/stories/turning-trash-into-trees/>

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### Monday: Quote: Vihaan Agarwal

**#MondayMotivation:** For Vihaan and Nav Agarwal who have won numerous honors and awards for their waste management non-profit One Step Greener, the greatest reward of all is the domino effect of a broader community in New Delhi working together for a cleaner and greener India. To date, they have prevented over 92K pounds of carbon from entering the atmosphere and they have produced over 18.9 million pounds of oxygen! @1stepgreener onestep\_greener

Follow us for more stories that inspire us build a more sustainable world.

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Stone Soup for a Sustainable World:  
Life-Changing Stories of Young Heroes



**Vihaan and Nav Agarwal**  
Co-Founders: OneStepGreener

### Tuesday: Hero Report: Vihaan Agrawal, One Step Greener

The polluted air in Delhi affected Vihaan Agarwal's asthma so he couldn't go outside to play with his friends. Watch this short video to see how Vihaan and Nav Agarwal, started their #NGO One Step Greener to do whatever they could to reduce the pollution crisis in India. Now, they're on a mission to green our planet.

**Hero Report video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2R-MvjczWSk&t>  
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### Wednesday: Honor Roll: One Step Greener

**#CalltoAction:** The path to a cleaner and greener world starts with you and it's easy!

Vihaan and Nav have just launched their campaign: **7 challenges to help save the planet.** **#OneStepGreener. #StandUpForNature.**

Learn more about the smart ways non-profit One Step Greener is fighting pollution by recycling waste and planting urban forests:

[www.onestepgreener.org](http://www.onestepgreener.org)

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### Thursday: Young Heroes Fund Video

Watch this video to be inspired by these young leaders in our forthcoming book, *Stone Soup for a Sustainable World: Life-Changing Stories of Young Heroes*. **Demi Weitz, RW Quarantunes, and Tiara Ganegama** invite you to support their work for climate, social, and economic justice.

**Demi Weitz, RW Quarantunes, USA** (@demiweitz, @rwquarantunes)

**Tiara Ganegama, Youth Force, Sri Lanka** @YouthForce\_2019

**Leila Nda, Maison Shalom, Burundi** @leila.nda

**Iris Zhan, Fridays for Future Digital, USA** @iris4action

**Hafsat Abiola-Costello, KIND, Nigeria** @hafsatkind

<https://youtu.be/8Dz9MdsBoc8>

Please join us in support of the work that they do to build a more sustainable world. Your support makes all the difference!

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**TURNING TRASH INTO TREES**  
Vihaan & Nav Agarwal  
One Step Greener

When Vihaan read about a fire at a large landfill in Delhi, he learned that trash was causing much of the city's air pollution. He decided to do something about it, and together with his younger brother Nav, he started One Step Greener, an organization that collects and segregates trash and recycles it. They are using the money they earn from picking up and selling waste from more than 700 households in Delhi to plant urban forests, to further improve air quality. "When you do something that actually creates a difference, everyone will want to do something that is as inspiring as the things you do," he says. He adds, "What you're doing might not make a difference directly, but the domino effect it creates will create huge change--even something as small as planting a tree in your backyard."

From the forthcoming book  
Stone Soup for a Sustainable World: Life-Changing Stories of Young Heroes

### #FridayReads: Synopsis Turning Trash into Trees

Read the inspiring story how Vihaan Agarwal's life was changed when he discovered how he could reduce air pollution that affected his asthma. What started out as a personal #zerowaste journey, turned into a successful non-profit. He and his brother Nav are leading the way in a growing environmental movement in India. @1stepgreener @onestep\_greener

Full Story on Thrive Global: <https://thriveglobal.com/stories/turning-trash-into-trees/>

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OneStepGreener

**7 Challenges**  
*that can help save the planet in the long run!*  
*Are you prepared for it?*  
**Stay tuned to know more!**



### Saturday: Featuring One Step Greener's Campaign

Everyday is a good day to protect the earth.

Follow non-profit One Step Greener for 7 challenges to help save the planet and to learn more about the smart ways they are fighting pollution by recycling waste and planting urban forests:

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#climatechange #plasticpollution #gogreen #climateaction #reducewaste  
#saveplanetearth #climatecrisis