

# Please help to Support the Fifth grade Service Project

The Belmont fifth graders are collecting reusable shopping bags to donate to Green Olney, a local organization supporting an initiative at the Olney Farmers Market to eliminate single-use plastic bags.



Did you know....

- Plastic bags are hardly recycled...about 98% are NOT recycled
- Globally, ~ 500 BILLION to 1 TRILLION plastic bags are used each year
- It takes 1,000 years for a plastic bag to degrade in a landfill. Unfortunately, the bags don't break down completely but instead photo-degrade, becoming microplastics that absorb toxins and continue to pollute the environment.

The Olney Farmers Market is making a big effort to eliminate plastic bags from the market, support our fifth grade service project to help!

Please donate **CLEAN, INTACT** reusable bags (please no single use plastic bags)

The bags can be previously used, but please make sure they are clean

**Belmont fifth graders will be collecting these bags  
in every classroom June 6th-15th, just bring  
your bags to school any day for donation!**

Green Olney and the Olney Farmers Market thank bag drive organizers and donors very much for helping to further Green our community!!