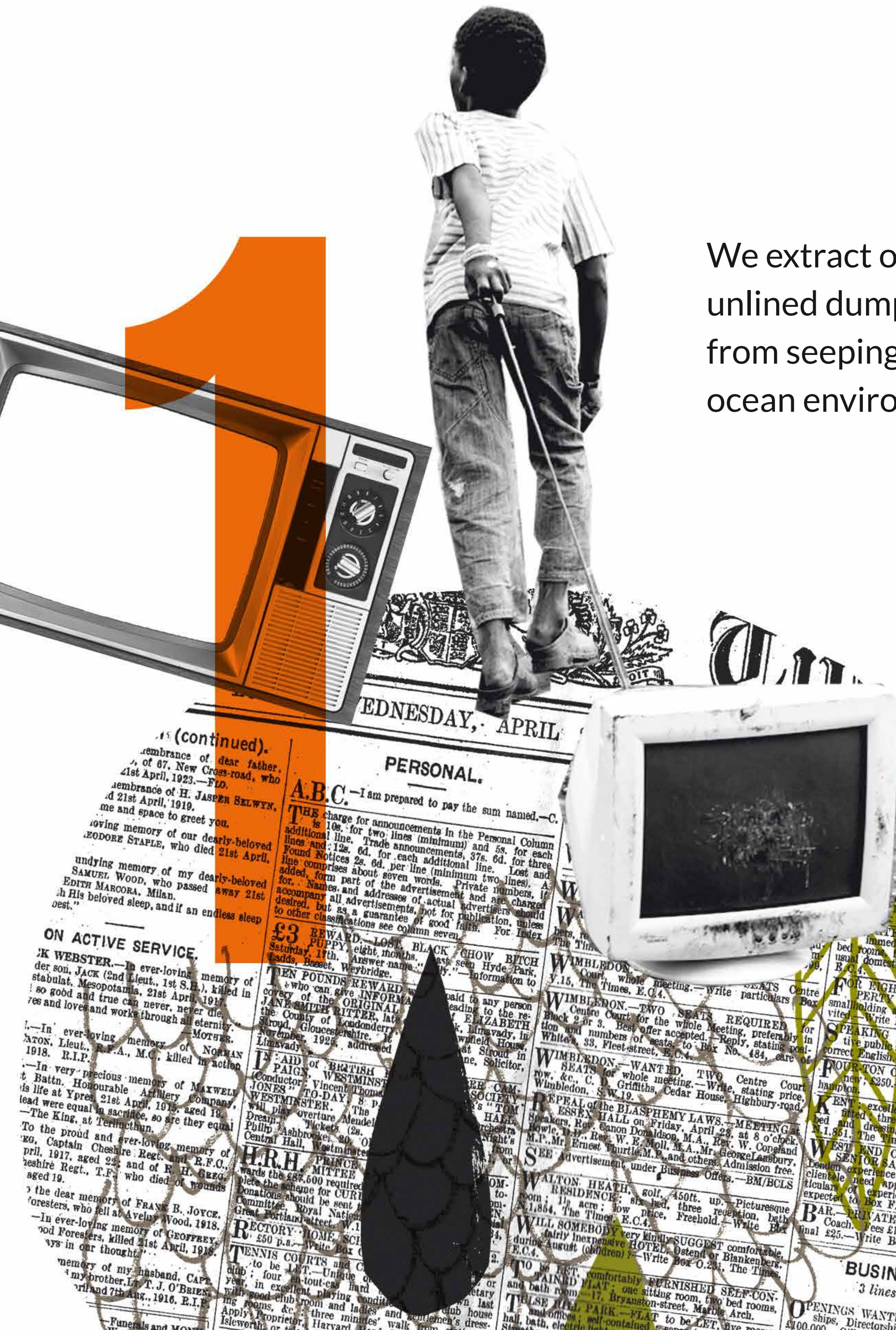




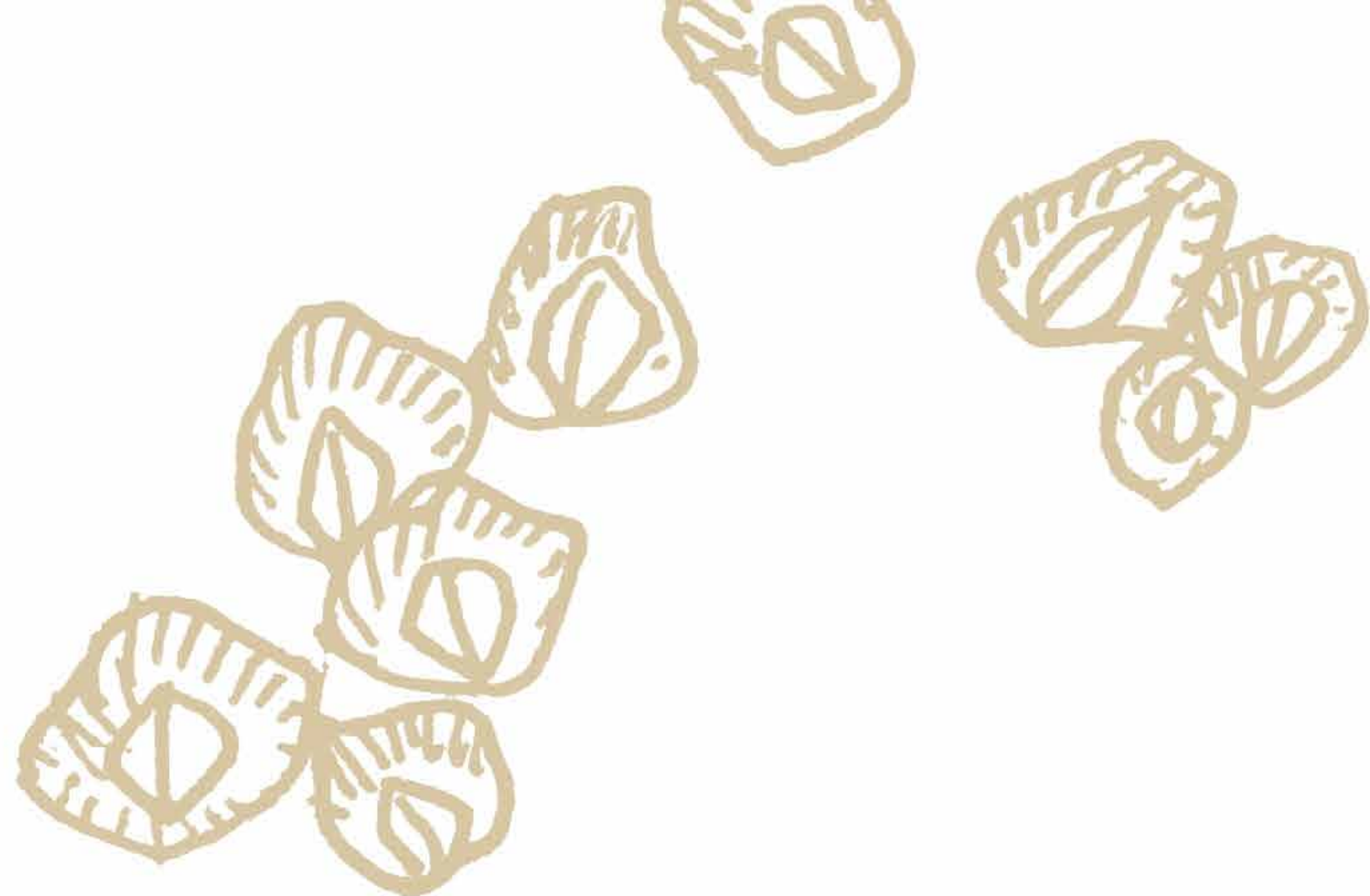
How waste pickers prevent marine waste pollution

We extract organic materials from unlined dumpsites, which stops toxins from seeping into groundwater and ocean environments.





We provide a low-cost waste collection service that governments can afford so that poorer communities can also access this service, which helps to prevent informal dumping.



We provide collection services that prevent open waste burning, which can pollute the ocean.



We collect materials for recycling and reuse from residents, businesses, or the street and stop them from polluting the environment.

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By recycling and reusing, we prevent the need for new materials (virgin raw materials) to be made, which can destroy environments.

We provide reusable dishes to prevent the use of single-use plastics that can end up in the environment.



We push for new policies to encourage everyone's participation in the recycling, reuse, and reduction of waste.



We meet with residents face-to-face and work with them to advocate for better waste management practices and to communicate new initiatives like single-use plastic bans, etc.

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We sort and process recyclable materials locally preventing contamination when shipping to other countries (where they might end up in the ocean).





We are helping ourselves by organizing and learning new skills so that we can create better waste management for non-recyclable waste.



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