Forming an argumentative claim

General topic: **Recycling**

Thoughts on topic: **Humans produce a lot of trash. Some of this trash can be recycled and reused. If we as responsible humans do not take care of the planet we live on it will become unusable (like in the movie *Wallie*). It is so simple to place plastic bottles and aluminum cans in recycling bins or take these items to a recycling facility. Recycling is the way to preserve and protect our communities.**

Claim to be made that generalizes your thoughts: **It is communities’ responsibility to protect the environment by having recycling programs in place. These programs not only preserve the wildlife, they also save money and ensure a brighter future for all living things on earth.**

A counter-claim statement: **However, some may argue that recycling programs do not make a big enough difference and cost too much money to implement.**