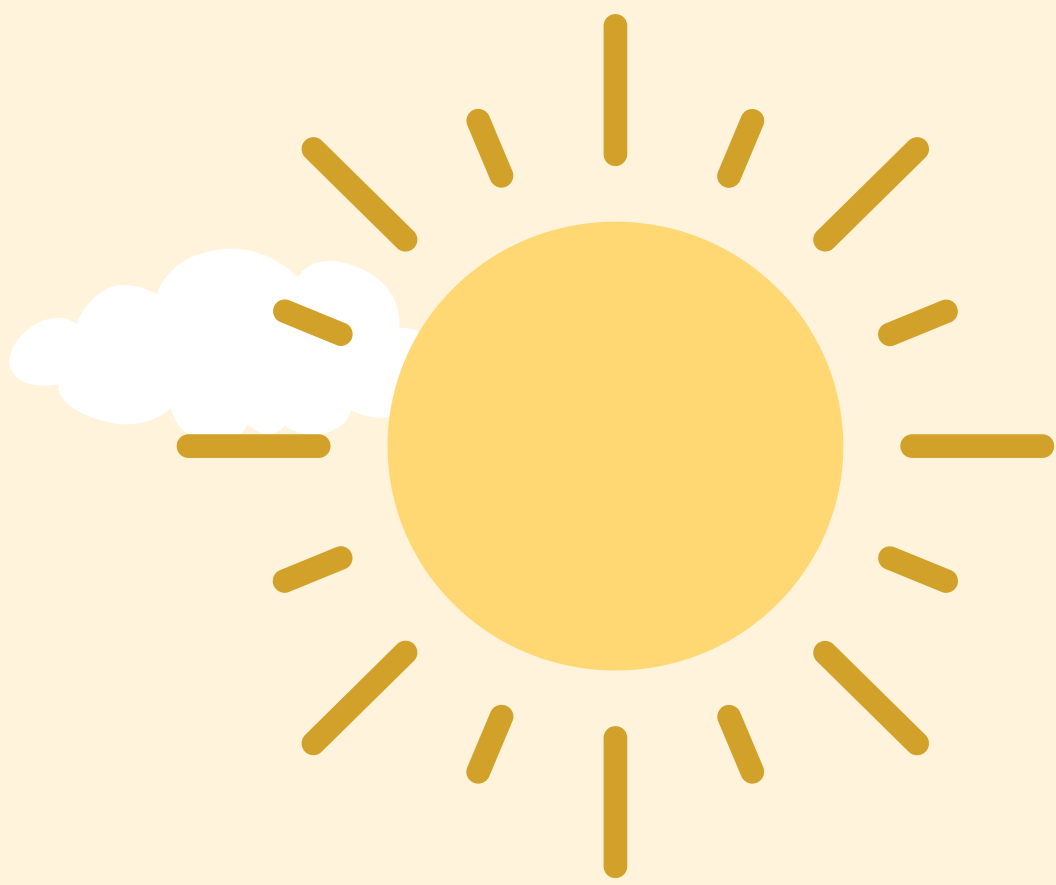



# WHY ARE TREES IMPORTANT?





**Do you feel cooler standing  
underneath a tree or standing  
directly underneath the sun?**





**Trees help people feel cooler by blocking the sun's rays and generating water vapor. This process is called "evapotranspiration."**



# TREES MAKE PLACES MORE BEAUTIFUL



**This increases  
livability!**

An illustration of a city park scene. In the foreground, three people are riding bicycles on a green path, and three people are walking. The background features rolling green hills, several large green trees, and a city skyline with blue buildings under a light yellow sky.

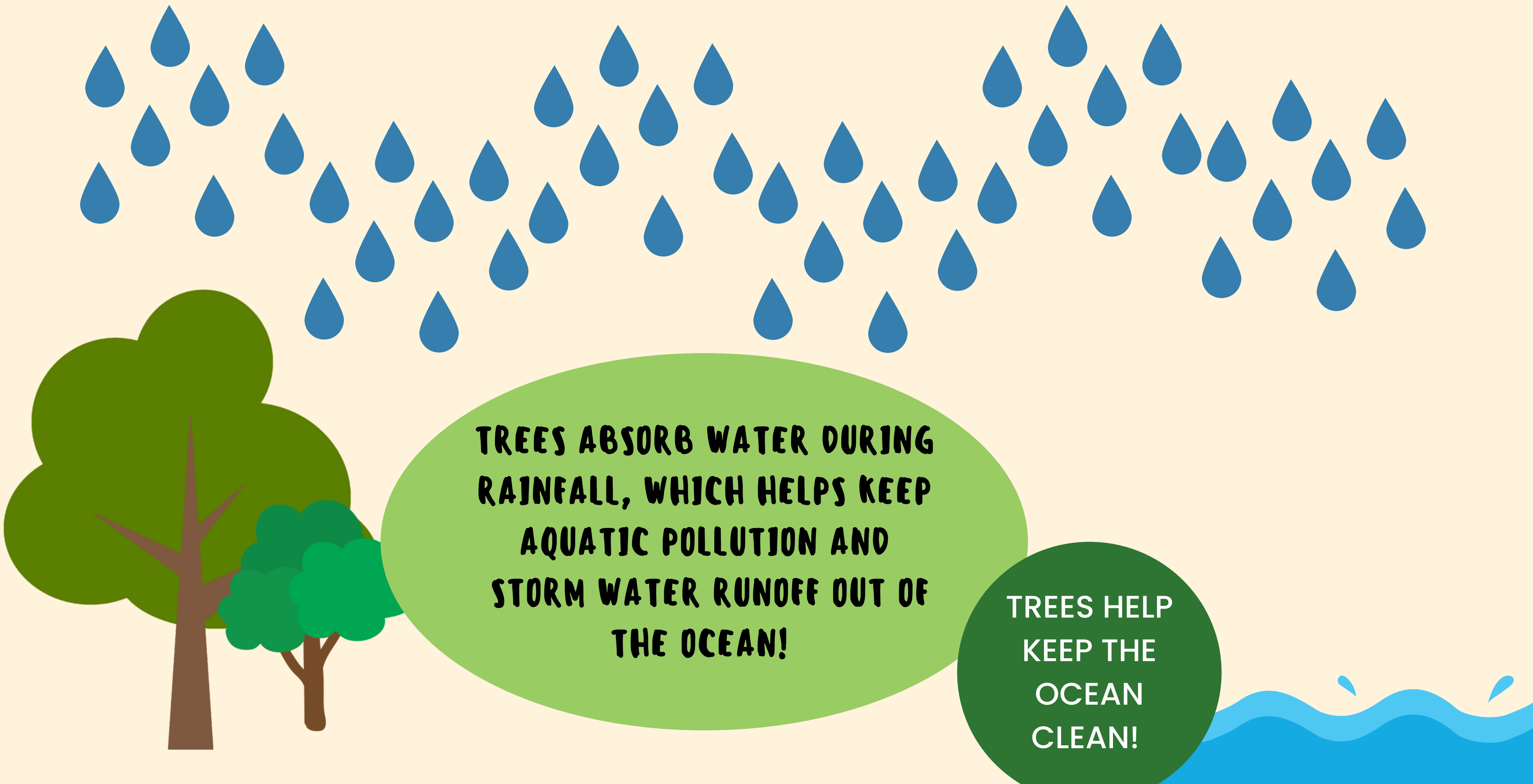
**MORE TREES IN A  
CITY ENCOURAGES  
MORE PEOPLE TO WALK  
AND BIKE, INSTEAD OF  
DRIVE!**

**This makes you  
healthy & feel  
better too!**



**TREES CLEAN THE AIR BY  
ABSORBING GASES LIKE CARBON  
DIOXIDE THROUGH A PROCESS  
CALLED PHOTOSYNTHESIS!**

Take a breath in the  
forest. Take a breath  
on the street. Does  
the air taste/feel  
different?



**TREES ABSORB WATER DURING  
RAINFALL, WHICH HELPS KEEP  
AQUATIC POLLUTION AND  
STORM WATER RUNOFF OUT OF  
THE OCEAN!**

**TREES HELP  
KEEP THE  
OCEAN  
CLEAN!**





**THE MORE TREES THERE  
ARE IN A CITY, THE LOWER THE  
CRIME RATE! TREES KEEP OUR CITIES  
SAFER!**



# WE ♥ TREES! Keiki Art Contest



Show us why you love trees &  
why you think they are important  
through art.

