

- At the root the question should be based off of the ideas of "where?" "Why there?" "Why Care?" and "What can be done?"
- Start thinking about what types of data or information you will need to collect to answer your question. Make sure it is a question you can actually answer given your time and resource constraints
- Always consider scale. Does your question need to be answered at a global, regional, state, or local level?
- Do a quick search on the topic you are interested in and see what other studies are being done and how your question could contribute to them
- Develop a question that is something you are personally interesting in learning more about
- Think big, but also realistic!
- Have an idea where you would like to go with it. What sort of action pieces could you potentially develop?
- Think of some contributing topics that you might also have to examine to better understand your question