

# PICK UP↓↑ THE PARKS



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COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## 7<sup>th</sup> annual Pick Up the Parks Event, Day-of Details Document (DoDD)

### WHO?

Any individual, club, group, team, class, or family that wants our parks to stay clean and green can participate. Please help spread the word via your organization's Facebook page, Twitter account, newsletter, or website.

### WHAT?

Help clean up the parks from the winter accumulation of trash and debris, reduce litter entering our local waterways, and help get the parks looking great for spring and summer. Join us for the Thank You Picnic, too! We will also have some of our event partners setting up interactive, educational tables at the Thank You Picnic, which is brought to us courtesy of County Executive Cheryl Dinolfo.

### Specific jobs include:

- Picking up trash/litter and/or loading up trucks to take trash off-site
- Raking/picking up debris (leaves, sticks, and rocks)
- Additional duties such as sweeping shelter & lodge areas and hard surfaces, and mulching & weeding may be available at some locations

### WHEN?

## Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

- 9am - 12pm, trash & debris cleanup at all Monroe County-managed Parks
- 12 - 2pm, thank-you picnic at Olmsted Lodge in Highland Park
- *Events are rain or shine. Unless extreme weather occurs, we will not postpone the events.*

### WHY?

We all love the parks and local waterways...let's do our part to keep our parks and watersheds clean!

### Each registered\* volunteer will receive:

- a coupon for a local service (while supplies last) courtesy of Delta Environmental.
- a ticket for the Thank You Picnic at Highland Park.
- *\*Each volunteer must submit a completed Volunteer Waiver Form (VWF) or sign one on-site, in order to participate.*



Monroe County  
**Parks**



**Cascades Recovery Inc**

**KEEP AMERICA  
BEAUTIFUL  
GREAT AMERICAN  
CLEANUP**



## WHERE?

Join our Site-Hosts at one of the 21 Meet-Up Sites listed below. (Max # of volunteers necessary is noted, so register early!)

- 1) Abraham Lincoln Park- in parking lot on Empire Boulevard, south of Rossman Drive, near Plank Road (max 25)
- 2) Black Creek Park- at Pathfinder Shelter, in park, off Union Street (max 50)
- 3) Churchville Park- at Church Lodge, on Main Street, near Park Road (max 40)
- 4) Devil's Cove Park- *water-based "canoe crew" only, specific skills, equipment, and arrangements necessary (max 10)*
- 5) Durand Eastman Park- at Sunset Shelter, on King's Highway, near Lakeshore Boulevard (Max 50)
- 6) Ellison Park- at Hazelwood Grove Lodge, in park, off Blossom Road (max 60)
- 7) Genesee Valley Park- at Roundhouse Shelter, in park, off Elmwood Avenue, east of the Genesee River (max 75)
- 8) Greece Canal Park- at Towpath Shelter, in park, off Elmgrove Road (max 40)
- 9) Highland Park- at Olmsted Lodge, on Reservoir Avenue, near South Avenue (max 40)
- 10) Irondequoit Bay Park West- at parking lot near Irondequoit Bay Fish & Game Club, on Bayfront South Drive (max 25)
- 11) Irondequoit Bay Marine Park- next to bathroom, just west of seasonal bridge, near Seabreeze
- 12) Lehigh Valley Trail Park- at Rochester Junction trailhead, near intersection of Junction Road & Plains Road, and at Mendon Station trailhead, near intersection of Routes 64 and 251 (max 10 and max 15)
- 13) Lucien Morin Park- in lot next to MacGregor's restaurant on Empire Boulevard (max 20)
- 14) Mendon Ponds Park- at Stewart Lodge, in park, on Douglas Road (max 60)
- 15) Northampton Park- at Ski Lodge, on Hubbell Road, off Route 31/Brockport Spencerport Road (max 30)
- 16) Oatka Creek Park- at Oatka Creek Lodge, in park, off Union Street (max 40)
- 17) Ontario Beach Park- at Portside Shelter, in park, off Lake and Beach Avenues (max 40)
- 18) Powder Mills Park- at Rand Lodge, on Park Road, off Route 96 (max 50)
- 19) Seneca Park- at Wegman Lodge, in lower Seneca Park, at the north end of Trout Pond (max 75)
- 20) Tryon Park- at parking lot, off Tryon Park road, off Winton Road (max 25)
- 21) Webster Park- at Parkview Lodge, on Holt Road, near Lake Road (max 50)

## DO I NEED TO BRING ANYTHING?

What to bring?

- Your signed Volunteer Waiver Form (VWF) if not already submitted by email or US Mail. Blank copies can be found at [www.monroecounty.gov/parks/pickuptheparks](http://www.monroecounty.gov/parks/pickuptheparks) submitted ahead of time, or signed at each park.
  - Minors MUST have the form signed by their parent or guardian.
- Weather-appropriate clothing and footwear (boots, hat, and dress in layers).
- Your favorite pair of work gloves (we do provide a small supply of size large garden gloves)
- A pick-up-stick, garbage-grabber, or even a pair of old tongs if you choose (these tools will not be provided by the Parks Department).
- A rake or broom to help gather and clean up leaves, sticks, branches, debris, dirt, etc around shelters and lodges.
- Water bottle and/or coffee mug to keep yourself hydrated. Water jugs will be available to refill your bottles.

## What's provided?

- Coffee, hot chocolate, water, snacks, fruit, granola bars, etc. to get you going!
- Black and white garbage bags (recyclable items will be sorted out by Cascades Recovery)
- Instructions and directions for a safe, successful day in the park.
- First-aid kits at each park.
- Bathrooms and/or portapotties at most sites.

## OTHER DETAILS

- Trash items should be placed in black bags, while recyclable items should be placed in white bags.
  - Cascades Recovery will provide a “cheat sheet” to identify which items that can definitely be recycled, and those that are definitely not recyclable.
  - Other potentially-recyclable items will still be recovered from black bags during a waste audit.
- The Buddy System is strongly encouraged.
- Each park will be divided into sectors and work groups will be assigned to a sector by the Site-Host.
- Additional park beautification tasks may be available should we have a higher-than-expected turnout, or lower-than-expected trash to pick up (e.g. brush, leaf, or debris clean-up).
  - In this case, a limited number of necessary tools would be provided by the Park Staff. Please feel free to bring your own rake or broom!
  - All leaves, rocks, sticks, etc. should be placed in piles and left in place for the Park Staff, and **not placed in trash bags.**
- Dangerous or sharp materials, or heavy items, can be left in place and reported to the Site-Host.
  - Park Staff will return to pick up those items.
- Items such as dead animals should always be left in place.
- All trash/bags should be brought to the edge of the closest road or dropped off at the original meet-up spot.
  - Larry the H2O Hero poster boards will be at Meet-up Spots to document the most common trash items.
- By registering and checking in at the event, you are registering as a Monroe County Volunteer and agree to abide by the guidelines of the Volunteer Waiver Form (VWF).
- Please leave your pets at home.

## THANKS TO OUR SITE-HOST ORGANIZATIONS AND EVENT PARTNERS

*Barton & Loguidice, DPC*

*Bay Creek Paddling*

*Clarkson Serves*

*Delta Environmental*

*Environmental Resources Management*

*Genesee Regional Off-road Cyclists*

*Genesee Valley Audubon Society*

*Genesee Valley Chapter Adirondack Mountain Club*

*Geo-Cachers of the Rochester Area*

*Girl Scout Troops 60275 (Brockport)*

*H2O Hero and the Water Education Collaborative*

*Highland Park Conservancy*

*Irondequoit Bay Fish & Game Club*

*Irondequoit Conservation Board*

*Keep America Beautiful*

*Lower Falls Foundation*

*Medved Running & Walking Outfitters*

*Mendon Foundation*

*Oatka Creek Watershed Committee*

*Riga Recreation Department*

*Rochester Americorps*

*The Sierra Club- Rochester Regional Group*

*Starbucks*

*Trails ROC*

*Trout Unlimited*

*Wegmans*