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## **East Providence DPW sponsors Earth Day cleanups**

EAST PROVIDENCE, RI – The City of East Providence Department of Public Works Refuse/Recycling Program is sponsoring Earth Day neighborhood cleanups and beautification projects throughout the city during the months of April and May in celebration of Earth Day.

Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corp. (RIRRC) will once again be waiving disposal (tipping) fees on solid waste for the city's organized/registered groups involved in Earth Day-related cleanup efforts from now until June 3, 2023. These cleanups will collectively be eligible for a tip fee waiver of 10 tons (maximum). This tonnage will not count against the municipality's Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) cap. City crews will collect the debris after cleanups and transport material to the RIRRC.

If you have a Scout or neighborhood group that is interested in volunteering and registering for Earth Day cleanup projects or would like additional information, please contact Donna McMahan, DPW, Refuse/Recycling Program Coordinator at 401-435-7710 or via email at [dmcmahan@eastprovidenceri.gov](mailto:dmcmahan@eastprovidenceri.gov). Registered groups receive yard bags for cleanups and work gloves (while supplies last).

Students needing community service hours are also encouraged to volunteer. Funding for Earth Day cleanup supplies are made possible through a Narragansett Bay Commission grant. Below is a list of the Earth Day projects. The City of East Providence would like to thank these groups for their continued effort in keeping our city's shoreline and public areas clean of debris and litter.

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## East Providence Community Earth Day Cleanups and events 2023:

- April 15, 2023: East Providence Girl Scouts  
Coordinator: Linda Arruda  
Cleanup area: East Providence Scout House/351 Willett Ave  
Time: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm  
Rain Date: April 22, 2023
- April 16, 2023: Runnins River Watershed Alliance  
Coordinator: Jill Miller (RRWA Chairperson)  
Command Center/cleanup area: Kent Heights field, 80 Clyde Ave  
Time: 10am-12pm  
Rain date: Sunday, April 30, 2023  
Cleanup to include: Fields, playground, woods around fields and along Boyd Ave.
- April 20, 2023: Rhode Island Energy  
Coordinators: Angela Li and Andrea Moshier  
Cleanup area: Kettle Point Bike Path area and Watchemoket Cove area  
Time: 9am set up cleanup ends at 2pm
- April 22, 2023: Narragansett Terrace Resident Association  
Coordinator: Melissa Book  
Command Center: The Jetty  
Time: 9am-11am  
Cleanup area: Narragansett Terrace Jetty, Terrace Ave/Sea View Ave
- April 22, 2023: East Providence /Seekonk Rotary Club  
Coordinator: David Kent  
Cleanup area: Veterans Parkway overlook parking lot to Waterfront Drive  
Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm Rain or shine
- April 22, 2023: Residents of Argyle Ave Community Cleanup  
Coordinator Kellie Marcil  
Cleanup area: trash and debris along Argyle to Wampanoag Trail  
Volunteers needed, please meet on Argyle Ave. Interested residents can call the Public Works office at 435-7701 for more information. Bags and work gloves will be provided.  
Time: 9am-11am
- April 22, 2023: Crescent Park Carousel Neighborhood Cleanup  
Coordinator: Carousel Commission  
Cleanup area: Carousel Area, neighborhood, along Crescent View Ave. Also cleaning flower beds and planting flowers. **Volunteers welcome and needed!! Work Gloves and trash bags will be provided.**  
Time: 9:00am – 11am

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- April 22, 2023: Rhode Island Clean Water Association / Narragansett Bay Commission  
 Coordinator: Evan Matz / Kerri Houghton  
 Cleanup area: Beach cleanup, Squantum Point  
 Time: 12pm-3pm  
 Volunteers needed. Site location/parking Squantum Association, 947 Veterans Mem. Pkwy
- April 22, 2023: Citizens/Resident Group  
 Cleanup area Campbell Ave from Pilgrim Ave to Pawtucket Ave.  
 Volunteers Needed. If interested please call the Public Works Office at 435-7701 for more information. Bags and work gloves will be provided.
- April 23, 2023: Cub Scouts Pack 5 East Providence Willett Pond  
 Coordinator: Anne Tan  
 Cleanup area: Willett Avenue Pond fishing area and along the trail  
 Time: 1 pm to 3 pm
- April 29, 2023: East Providence Historic District Commission, East Providence Historical Society and Friends of East Providence Historic Cemeteries  
 Cleanup area: Historical Newman Cemetery cleanup  
 Time: 10 am to 12:00 pm  
 Please bring rakes, loppers, and trimmers if possible
- April 29, 2023: Save the Bay and Friends of Sabin Point  
 Coordinator: Julie A. Major Grant / July Lewis  
 Cleanup area: Sabin Point Park and Shoreline Riverside  
 Time: 10 am to 12 pm
- April 29, 2023: Free Paper Shredding Event for East Providence Residents  
 Coordinated by: EP Public Works and EP Public Library  
 Weaver Library, 41 Grove Ave (side parking lot)  
 Time: 9am-12pm Need more info call 401-435-7701  
 Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Hope & Faith Drive
- May 13, 2023: Friends of Pomham Rocks Lighthouse,  
 Coordinator: David Kelleher  
 Cleanup area: Cove north of EP Water Treatment plant up to Exxon property.  
 Time: 9am-12pm  
 Rain Date: May 14, 2023
- May 20, 2023: East Providence Historic District Commission, East Providence Historical Society and Friends of East Providence Historic Cemeteries  
 Cleanup area: Historical Littleneck Cemetery cleanup  
 Time: 10 am to 12:00 pm  
 Please bring rakes, loppers, and trimmers if possible

Supplies for Earth Day cleanups made possible with part funding from an Earth Day Grant award received from Narragansett Bay Commission.

Anyone interested in volunteering for a cleanup or getting a group together please contact Donna McMahon at 401-435-7701 or 401-435-7500 EXT 40021 or [dmcMahon@eastprovidenceri.gov](mailto:dmcMahon@eastprovidenceri.gov) we can provide work gloves and trash bags. All debris collected from cleanup events will be pickup for disposal by city crews.