

CITIZENS AGAINST LITTER

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RECRUITING UNDERWAY FOR SPRING EARTH DAY REDD UP; 200 NEIGHBORHOODS AND 15,000 VOLUNTEERS ARE GOALS

Recruiting neighborhood, community and group participation in the annual Spring Earth Day Redd Up April 19, 20 and 21 is well underway.

Boris Weinstein of Citizens Against Litter, the coordinating group, says participation has passed the 100 mark. “Our goal is ambitious”, says Weinstein. “We want participation of 200 neighborhoods and 15,000 volunteers. That’s the level of involvement we’ve had in the past and expect this spring.”

Communities/groups and individuals interested in participating as volunteers are asked to contact Citizens Against Litter who will put them in touch with neighborhood Clean Pittsburgh Stewards. Contact boris.weinstein@verizon.net or call 412-688-9120.

Friday, Apr. 19 will kick off the weekend of community service with school kids cleaning up on and around their school grounds. Saturday, Apr. 20 will be the day most communities hit the streets, cleaning up litter, sprucing up and planting community gardens. Earth Day this year is Monday, April 22.

Communities outside Pittsburgh are encouraged to have their spring cleanups on this same weekend. Many communities have their cleanups in the spring on other dates but their participation will be listed.

Signed up in Pittsburgh so far are: Alcoa “green” volunteers, AmeriCorps, Adult Probation Day Reporting Center, Allegheny CleanWays, Allegheny Commons, Allegheny West, Allentown, Banksville, Bedford Dwellings, Beechview, Beltzhoover, Bloomfield, Bon Air, Brighton Heights, Bull Elephants/Masons, California-Kirkbride, Carrick, Central Northside,

Chartiers, Citizens Against Litter, Community Technical Assistance Center, Downtown Partnership, Duquesne Heights, East Allegheny, East Carnegie, East Hills, East Liberty, Elliott, Fairywood, Friendship, Garfield, Greenfield, Hazelwood (Glen Hazel), Homewood, Knoxville, Jail Trail, Jubilee Christian School (for Banksville Road), Highland Park, Lawrenceville, Lower Hill, Manchester, Mexican War Streets, Middle Hill, Mt. Washington, Oakland, Observatory Hill, Overbrook, Paddle Without Pollution, PA. Resources Council, Perry Hilltop, Pittsburgh Job Corps, Pittsburgh Public Schools, Polish Hill, Pressley Ridge School for the Deaf, Renew Pittsburgh, Schenley Heights, ServePgh, Shadyside, Sheraden, South Side Graffiti Watch, South Side Flats, South Side Slopes, Spring Garden-Deushtown, Squirrel Hill, Spring Hill, Stanton Heights, Summer Hill, Swisshelm Park, The Academy System, Troy Hill, Uptown, West End Village and Windgap.

In Allegheny County: Chalfant, Etna, Fox Chapel, Heidelberg, Marshall, Natrona Comes Together Assn., PA. Dept. of Environmental Protection, Penn Hills, North Park Friends, South Fayette, Friends of South Park, South Park Twp., Stowe, Verona, West Homestead, Wilkins and Wilkinsburg.

In Beaver County: Center (Aliquippa). In Washington County: Mingo Creek Park, and Cross Creek Park.

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