

HOW TO ORGANIZE A NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP



The City of Providence will assist communities in cleaning up their neighborhood. We provide: bags for debris, rakes, and debris removal.* Below you will find 7 easy steps for organizing a neighborhood clean-up. **If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) at 401-421-2489.**

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Select a clean-up time and date:

Weekends are a good time for a clean-up, as most of your neighbors will be available. Always schedule at least 4 weeks in advance with a rain date.

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Identify clean-up site

It is helpful to create a map outlining the streets/locations to be cleaned.

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Reserve tools:

Call ONS to reserve the tools needed to clean-up your neighborhood.

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Plan for refreshments:

Have water and other refreshments available for the volunteers. Sometimes businesses in the area are willing to donate.

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Need additional help?

Ask the Crime Watch or other Community Organizations in the area to round up volunteers.

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Organize volunteers:

Call or visit neighbors and ask them to participate in the clean-up.

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Celebrate your success!

Organize a neighborhood party to celebrate your successful clean-up! Feel free to invite local politicians and other community leaders. Publicity is a wonderful way to show neighboring areas that clean-ups are easy and a great way to show pride!

*Debris removal will require scheduled, centralized pick-up sites to be determined in advance with assistance from the Department of Public Works, Highway Division.