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City of LaGrange Employees, Leaders & Community Partners Collect Twenty Tons of Trash in City's Annual Litter Cleanup Event

LaGrange, Ga. April 24, 2021 – The City of LaGrange shut down business Friday, April 23rd from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. to pick up litter throughout the main thoroughfares. Hundreds of city employees, elected leaders and community partners participated in the city's annual event. Together, approximately 20 tons of litter was removed from city streets.



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Crews picked up litter in the following areas in LaGrange Friday morning:

- Cameron Mill Road/Country Club Road/Whitaker Road
- Whitesville Road/Hamilton Road/Tom Hall Parkway
- Lafayette Parkway/Davis Road
- Lukken Industrial Boulevard
- Mitchell Avenue/Commerce Avenue/Youngs Mill Road/Hogansville Road
- Mooty Bridge Road
- Greenville Street/Hill Street
- BellLine Community
- South Greenwood Street
- Downtown LaGrange

The following groups participated in at least one of the City of LaGrange's litter cleanup campaigns:

- Tribe Ujima
- St. Mark's Episcopal Church
- LaGrange-Troup Chamber of Commerce
- BellLine Neighborhood
- First Presbyterian Church Montessori School
- Chick fil A – Lafayette Parkway
- Vernon Woods Retirement Community
- The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
- LaGrange Academy
- The Beauty Bar
- Amwaste of LaGrange
- Families wanting to make a difference

City Manager Meg Kelsey began this litter clean-up campaign in April 2018 hoping to send a message to the community that the City of LaGrange is seriously about cleaning up the community leading by example.

The April 2018 event was so well-received with employees, citizens and elected leaders, the city began hosting monthly cleanups throughout the city. Since 2018, the city is proud to have partnered with many different community groups, businesses, schools, colleges and individuals in leaving LaGrange better than we found it. The slogan was inspired by the comments by City Councilman Nathan Gaskin who said in a city council meeting, “My mom also told me to leave things better than I found it.”

“Working side by side with employees and community members beautifying our city has been such a rewarding and eye opening experience for me,” said City of LaGrange City Manager Meg Kelsey. “We hope that everyone will consider joining us and dedicate a little time to help us clean up our community.”

After the cleanup on Friday, city employees and volunteers were invited back to Sweetland Amphitheatre to have lunch before going back to work top open city offices back up at 1:00 p.m.



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The City of LaGrange's television station, LGTV broadcasted live updates throughout the day. To see all of the videos go to www.facebook.com/LGTV.org.

The city's next litter cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 1st, 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. in the lower parking lot of LaGrange Academy, 1501 Vernon Road. The public is invited to this family-friendly event. For more information on this event or to partner for a future event contact Katie Van Schoor at kvanschoor@lagrangega.org or (706) 883-2055.

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