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## **City of LaGrange to Join U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for September Litter Clean-Up Event**



*Dozens of employees participated in August's litter pick-up event*

*LaGrange, Ga. September 18, 2018* – The public is invited to join the City of LaGrange and the U.S. Corps of Engineers for a litter clean-up event on West Point Lake \*Saturday\*, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

September 22<sup>nd</sup> is the annual National Public Lands Day Event for the U.S. Corps of Engineers that includes lakeside trash cleanup, fish attractor construction, and bird box construction.

If you would like to join the City of LaGrange the group will be meeting at McGhee Bridge Park off of Old Roanoke Road at 8:30 a.m. A free lunch from Wendy's will be served at 11:30 a.m.

On this weekend registered groups and families can camp for free.

City employees and the public are invited to participate in this event to help in leaving LaGrange better than we found it.

City Manager Meg Kelsey wanted to send a message to the community that the City of LaGrange is serious about cleaning up litter and rolled out the city's campaign, "Leaving LaGrange Better Than We Found It."



*Roughly 30 employees and citizens participated in July's litter pick-up event*

The City of LaGrange closed non-essential business the morning of April 20<sup>th</sup> and more than four hundred employees picked up trash throughout the community.

In July, city employees and volunteers picked up trash along West Point Lake on Country Club Road. Mayor Jim Thornton, employees, and volunteers participated in this event.

In June, the group started at Berta Weathersbee Elementary and picked up trash along Forrest Avenue to the Callaway Clock Tower.

In August, city employees and volunteers picked up trash along Ridley Avenue starting in front of City Hall.

LaGrange Mayor Jim Thornton, Troup County Commission Chairman Patrick Crews, West Point Mayor Steve Tramell, Hogansville Mayor Bill Stankiewicz, along with Troup County's Keep Troup Beautiful have joined forces to help clean up the litter in the community.

If you would like to have a litter clean up in your neighborhood contact Scott Landa with Keep Troup Beautiful. For more information go to [www.keeptroupbeautiful.com](http://www.keeptroupbeautiful.com) or call (706) 884-9922.

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