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125 Minutes Making Waukesha Better for the Future

WAUKESHA, Wis. - As part of the City's yearlong 125th Anniversary Celebrations, on Sat. April 24, volunteers will spend 125 minutes making Waukesha better for the future as part of an Earth Day clean-up. As part of the event, 22 teams of volunteers will spread out over 21 City parks and Downtown to pick up trash from 9:00 a.m. to 11:05 a.m., totaling 125 minutes. Teams that have signed up for the event include families, local companies, Scout Troops, City leadership class participants, representatives from Carroll University, and more.

"We hope to leave our City better for future generations" said Mayor Shawn Reilly. "I want to thank all the volunteers that are working this Saturday and throughout the year on behalf of the City."

Saturday's event is also in coordination with National Volunteer Week which is recognized from April 18-24. The long history of volunteering in the City will be on display as volunteers check-in for the event at Frame Park. The display will highlight volunteers and volunteer projects over the past years in the City.

Volunteers are essential to helping the City carry out many of its services and programs. The City of Waukesha, and especially the City's Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department, relies on volunteers to assist with numerous projects, special events, and programs throughout the year. During 2020, most volunteer projects had to be scaled back. In 2019, however, the City Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department utilized 1,308 volunteers serving a total of 24,836 hours. There are always upcoming volunteer opportunities. Anyone interested in volunteering should visit the City's website for more information: <https://waukesha-wi.gov/1272/Volunteer>

The City of Waukesha, WI is an award-winning community located along the shores of the Fox River, 15 miles west of Milwaukee. Waukesha is the seventh largest City in the state with a population of just over 72,000 people. Throughout 2021, the City is celebrating its 125th anniversary as a City. More information on the City's 125th anniversary and a complete listing of events is available on the City's website at <https://waukesha-wi.gov/1916/125th-Anniversary-Celebration>.

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