

City of Fall River Massachusetts

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Fall River Announces Earth Day Clean-Ups, Arbor Day Fair

(FALL RIVER, MA- April 11, 2023)- The Office of Mayor Paul Coogan has announced three volunteer clean-up opportunities to celebrate Earth Day. Residents are invited to join at these locations, where the Department of Community Maintenance will be providing tools to all volunteers. No sign-ups or registration are needed and all ages are welcome, with parental supervision.

On Friday, April 21st, the City will host two clean-ups. The first, lead by the Fall River Department of Community Utilities, will take place from 10am-12pm starting from 1240 Innovation Way. In the afternoon, a downtown clean-up will begin from Government Center plaza at 1pm, wrapping around 3pm. Residents may choose to collect tools and clean a location of their choosing, or can be assigned an area in need of attention.

On Saturday, April 22nd from 11am-1pm, a park clean-up will take place at Kennedy Park, starting from the park pavilion. The clean-up will be a part of the second annual Arbor Day Fair, organized by the City's Cemeteries & Tree Division. The larger event will run from 11am to 3pm and will feature food trucks, tree plantings and children's crafts. City partners, including National Grid, Davey Resource Group and Lewis Tree Service, will be present to discuss careers in forestry and hold demonstrations. In addition to the day's activities, the Fall River Street Tree Planting Project (FRSTPP), in conjunction with Greening the Gateway and the City of Fall River, will be giving away free tree saplings to city residents.

For more details, residents can contact the Mayor's Office at 508-324-2600 or email <u>epevide@fallriverma.org</u>. Residents can also sign-up for email notifications about future cleanup opportunities at tinyurl.com/FRCLEANUPEMAILS.