

MWMO Good Neighbor Community Cleanup

Safety Tips

Introduction

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Safety is important! That's why all volunteers are provided with the items that they need to be prepared for trash collection:

- ☐ Safety Vests
- ☐ Work Gloves
- ☐ Trash Grabbers

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General Cleanup

- ☐ Wearing a vest allows cars to easily spot you. Avoid crouching or standing on busy streets.
- ☐ Your gloves provide some protection from sharp or harmful debris. You are encouraged to wear them during the cleanup.
- ☐ Dress for the job: Be aware of weather conditions and dress accordingly. Long sleeves, pants, and sturdy closed-toed shoes are great options for trash cleanups.
- ☐ Do not pick up any item you would consider hazardous or toxic, such as needles, glass, or chemicals.

Stormdrain Cleaning

- ☐ Clean only the surface of the stormdrain grate and the area around it. Never remove the grate or otherwise attempt to clean inside the catch basin. If the drain seems to be plugged or have any problem, contact city staff and they will send workers to address the issue.
- ☐ Sweep or rake debris away from stormdrains and not into them.
- ☐ Be sure to wear gloves and a vest while cleaning a stormdrain.

