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Stockton Clean City Initiative Success in 2021 & 2022 Scheduled Events *Residential Services and Volunteer Opportunities for All Ages*

STOCKTON, Calif. – The City of Stockton Public Works Department [Clean City Initiative](#) provides community members with opportunities to participate in beautification activities, perform litter cleanup projects, and reduce trash accumulation and illegal dumping across the City. The Clean City Initiative (CCI) launched in 2021 with successful events and activities. A complete report of the 2021 results and 2022 scheduled events is available in the just released [Clean City Initiative 2021 Closeout and 2022 Look Ahead report](#).

“This new City initiative is a resounding success,” said City Manager Harry Black. “It shows you what you can do when you are willing to lend a helping hand. What makes this program successful is the community involvement and level of volunteerism, which has been outstanding.”

To see when these programs are coming to your neighborhood, view the schedule of events at [Clean City Initiative](#).

Drive-Thru Recycling Events – City of Stockton Public Works and the City’s two waste haulers, Republic Services and Waste Management, provide residential customers with six opportunities throughout the year to recycle and responsibly dispose of bulky waste items. Open to all Stockton residential customers, events are held in each Council District for

a total of six events throughout the year. In 2021, 2,627 vehicles drove through and recycled nearly 122 tons, including trash, green waste, electronic waste, paper shredding, mattresses and box springs, tires, and appliances.

Community Cleanups – City of Stockton Public Works supports volunteers through coordination and supplies provided to community groups. Cleanups are organized in specific areas to remove illegally dumped materials, perform litter pickup activities, and complete civic beautification projects. Community groups and individual volunteers of all ages (minors with parental permission) are welcome to participate in planned activities or seek assistance with holding a cleanup event of their own. In 2021, 21 events were held with a total of 575 volunteers, who collected 458 bags of litter, trimmed and pruned shrubs, and painted walls, benches, and picnic tables in community parks.

Neighborhood Services Cleanups – The Stockton Police Department Neighborhood Services Section (NSS) works with various communities and neighborhoods taking proactive steps to improve the quality of life through the removal of garbage, working to reduce blight and crime, and increasing the sense of safety. Residential customers are notified in advance of planned cleanup activities. In 2021, over 69 tons of trash was removed during these projects, including big items such as mattresses and box springs, tires, electronic waste, and appliances.

Homeless Encampment Cleanups - The Stockton Police and Public Works Departments complete cleanup events in identified areas as needed for health and safety purposes. In 2021, 28 cleanups were completed removing 1,485 tons of waste.

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To volunteer for a Community Cleanup Event, contact us at (209) 937-7575 or visit www.stocktonca.gov/cleancity to sign up.

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