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Volunteers take to river valley for annual spring clean up

Edmonton's river valley is greening up just in time for the 27th annual River Valley Clean Up. Since 1987, thousands of volunteers have scoured river valley parks and trails to pick up winter's cache of discarded litter.

"The River Valley Clean Up is a long standing tradition for Edmontonians," says Lisi Monro, Capital City Clean Up Program Manager. "We take pride in the beauty of our river valley, and this program allows residents to take part in maintaining that beauty through the spring, summer and fall months."



Online registration is now open for residents interested in contributing to the effort. Last year, 2,577 volunteers picked up 3,607 bags of litter, and 155 cubic metres of litter during the first week alone – enough to fill seven large garbage trucks.

At the 2013 kickoff event, 267 volunteers picked up more than 200 bags of litter around Louise McKinney Park. This year's kickoff will see approximately 350 volunteers, as well as North Saskatchewan River Clean Up program partner HSBC Bank Canada pitching in.

To register for the program, or for more information on how you can contribute to Capital City Clean Up, visit

The Capital City Clean Up program is a joint initiative between the City of Edmonton, participating business partners, and thousands of volunteers. It provides programs and services that help keep our city litter and graffiti free.

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