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**Pasco County residents urged to clean their community in the  
Great American Cleanup of Pasco County**  
*~The Great American Cleanup is a national tradition~*

**PASCO COUNTY, FL** ---- Pasco County is taking part in the annual Great American Cleanup and is encouraging citizens to participate. The 2016 event will be held throughout the County on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Every year, residents of Pasco County join a national tradition of shared community responsibility by picking up litter. On a local level, this event is spearheaded by Keep Pasco Beautiful, a local affiliate of the national, nonprofit organization Keep America Beautiful. In Pasco County, thousands of pounds of trash will be picked up from parks and roads.

Pasco County has been a part of the Great American Cleanup since 1992. In 2015 approximately 500 volunteers picked up 17.21 tons of trash during the Great American Cleanup.

Teams in several areas are registered to take part in the 2016 Great American Cleanup, including: Dade City, Holiday, Hudson, Lacochee, Port Richey, and Crystal Springs. This is a great opportunity for high school students to earn community service hours. "Litter will only attract more litter," said Kristen King, Keep Pasco Beautiful Coordinator. "As a community we have the power to change the amount litter in our community."

Citizens who would like to participate in the Great American Cleanup can do so by calling (727) 856-7252 or emailing [kking@pascocountyfl.net](mailto:kking@pascocountyfl.net).

For more information about the Great American Cleanup in Pasco County go the following links:  
<http://www.pascocountyfl.net>  
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