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2021 Great American Cleanup Collects 37K Pounds of Trash

~~659 volunteers pick up trash at 37 locations throughout Pasco~~

PASCO COUNTY, FL ---- Pasco County volunteers collected **36,920 pounds** of trash throughout the county during the **2021 Great American Cleanup** on March 3, 2021. 659 volunteers cleaned up public spaces, roadsides and waterways – covering 37 locations including Anclote Gulf Park in Holiday, Dade City, Port Richey, New Port Richey, Wesley Chapel and Hudson.

“Between the rainy weather and the ongoing pandemic, we weren’t sure how many volunteers would show up this year,” said Keep Pasco Beautiful Coordinator Kristen King. “Once again, they came out in full support, proving what a tremendous impact concerned community members can have when given the opportunity.”

2021 Great American Cleanup by the numbers:

- ✓ **36,920 pounds** of trash
- ✓ **37 locations** throughout Pasco County
- ✓ **659 volunteers**
- ✓ **1,531 volunteer hours** logged
- ✓ **\$41,643.20 cost benefit** ([Volunteer Time Value](#))



Volunteers pick up trash in Port Richey

Keep Pasco Beautiful hosts the Great American Cleanup with corporate funding assistance and a grant through the Florida Department of Transportation. The event’s success is a result of collaboration and assistance among the Pasco County Department of Public Works; Pasco County Solid Waste; Pasco County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources; and Pasco County Environmental Compliance.

The Great American Cleanup is one of two annual cleanup events in Pasco. The mission of Keep Pasco Beautiful is to improve Pasco County by engaging the community in sustainable efforts to reduce litter, promote waste reduction and encourage beautification. Learn how you can volunteer: 727.834.3611 ext. 1072 / kking@mypasco.net.