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2022 Great American Cleanup Collects 45K Pounds of Trash *~~Volunteers scoured 43 locations in Pasco to pick up trash~~*

PASCO COUNTY, FL ---- They came, they cleaned, and they left Pasco County a prettier place! The **2022 Great American Cleanup** proved to be a huge success with volunteers collecting **45,300 pounds** of trash throughout Pasco!

More than 750 volunteers turned out for the March 5 event – clearing public spaces, roadsides and waterways – covering 43 locations in Holiday, Dade City, Port Richey, New Port Richey, Wesley Chapel and Hudson.

“We’re thrilled to have a 15 percent increase in volunteers this year over last,” said Keep Pasco Beautiful Coordinator Kristen King. “Our community has a vested interest in keeping our environment clean, and that’s inspiring.”

2022 Great American Cleanup by the numbers:

- ❖ **45,300 pounds** of trash collected
- ❖ **43 locations** throughout Pasco County
- ❖ **761 volunteers**
- ❖ **2,244 volunteer hours** logged
- ❖ **\$64K cost benefit** ([*Volunteer Time Value*](#))

[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.

Keep Pasco Beautiful’s mission 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.

