



**Hancock County Solid Waste Management District
Environmental Services**

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Re: 30th ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP DAY/GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP

Dear Prospective Participants:

The Hancock County Solid Waste Management District Environmental Services Office will be holding its 30th Annual Spring Clean Up/Litter Awareness Week from April 25 - April 30, 2011. This event is in affiliation with Keep America Beautiful's (KAB) Great American Cleanup. The Great American Cleanup is the nations largest organized litter prevention, beautification and community improvement program.

A cleaner environment allows for a more beautiful, safer and healthier community in which everyone can enjoy living and working within. As a community, we all need to take responsibility and achieve this goal for our environment. Signing up to participate in this very special community event is a great first step. Your organization can be included as one of the approximate 1200 volunteers working together to pick up litter in Hancock County parks, schoolyards, along roadways and riverbanks. If you prefer, a specific area in need of cleaning can be assigned to your organization. Also, your organization may hold its cleanup project any day during the month of April or on our designated Spring Clean Up Day, April 30, 2011. It is up to each group when they prefer to do their cleanup, but please notify our office so that we can track all areas of improvement!

A **complimentary luncheon** will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Hancock County Litzenberg Memorial Park-Barn, 6100 US Rt. 224, Findlay for all **registered** Spring Cleanup volunteers. This luncheon is open to all registered volunteers regardless of what day your group actually holds its cleanup project. The luncheon will include pizza and soft drinks. All volunteers will also receive an appreciation packet for their efforts in keeping Hancock County Beautiful.

To register your organization, please return the registration form to the Hancock County SWMD Environmental Services Office, 300 S. Main Street, Findlay, Ohio 45840 no later than Saturday, April 16, 2011. Collection bags will be available at our office beginning March 31, 2011. Listed below are the instructions/responsibilities for the team supervisor. Again, we appreciate your anticipated involvement in our 30th Annual Spring Cleanup Day and we look forward to seeing you at our luncheon at the Litzenberg Memorial Park-Barn on Saturday, April 30th.

- Confirm that all of your team members are pre-registered at the Hancock County SWMD Environmental Services Office. Pre-registration is necessary to keep an accurate count of volunteers for the KAB Great American Cleanup report and for the complimentary luncheon.
- Be sure that you and your team members are familiar with the area in which you are to clean. Clean the selected area with a partner to help observe safety regulations such as gloves, boots and reflective clothing. Be sure to have adequate adult supervision.

- Trash and recyclables can be discarded on **Saturday, April 30, 2011** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the following locations:

Litter Landing Recycling Facility
1720 E. Sandusky Street

Litzenberg Memorial Park-Barn,
6100 US Rt. 224

- Hancock County Litzenberg Memorial Park-Barn will be headquarters. The Hancock County SWMD Environmental Services Staff will be at the headquarters on April 30, 2011 by 10:30 a.m.
- The cleanup & luncheon **will be held rain or shine**. In case of severe inclement weather, please listen to WFIN/1330 AM, WKXA/100.5 FM, WHMQ/107.7 FM, or MIX 96.7 for cancellation.
- Team supervisors working in the outlying communities may contact the village mayor or township trustees to see if any collected non-recyclable materials can be dropped off at the city, village or township hall rather than transporting to one of the above listed facilities. These officials will give you approval or disapproval. Otherwise, drop off your bags at one of the designated locations indicated above on April 30th.
- Join us at the Hancock County Litzenberg Memorial Park-Barn, 6100 US Rt. 224, Findlay between 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. for a **complimentary** luncheon. All **registered** volunteers will also receive appreciation packets at this time.

Again, thank you for support in keeping Hancock County beautiful!

Sincerely,

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