

Stash the Trash 2017

This year the “Stash the Trash” program will again organize a 2 week long litter clean-up initiative around Ossining. The program will begin with a “Stash the Trash” Kick-Off event at Richard Wishnie Park on **Saturday, May 6th from 10:00am to 2:00pm**. We encourage the community to stop by and pick up garbage bags, gloves and basic instructions, then head out to clean-up Ossining!



After Saturday, May 6th and through Saturday, May 20th, volunteers can stop by the Recreation Office between 9:00am – 5:00pm (*except Sundays*) to sign-up and pick up needed supplies and instructions to stash the trash. See instructions below for the simple steps to follow in our community effort to keep Ossining beautiful!

Instructions on how to properly “Stash the Trash”!

1. Sign-up and pick up supplies.

- (1) Provide the name(s) of the volunteers/group, (2) the location of your clean-up and (3) the day & time you plan on completing the clean-up, on our “*Stash the Trash Volunteer Sign-Up*” sheet.
 - We ask you avoid any roadway clean-ups during heavy commuter travel times: Weekdays between 7:00am-9:00am & 4:00pm-6:00pm
 - **Please note**: all location(s) must be safe and not expose volunteers to any dangerous conditions.
- Pick up a maximum of 2 trash bags per person and protective gloves. More trash bags are available upon request, but we ask for any unused bags to be returned.



2. Go to the site for clean-up on your chosen day & time, and begin to “Stash the Trash”!
3. Fill trash bags no more than 3/4’s full, and then securely tie off the top of each bag. If you collect larger items that do not fit in trash bags, please handle carefully and leave next to trash bags.
4. Upon completion of your clean-up, we ask you leave the tied-off trash bags and any other items on site within 5 feet of a roadway for pick up by our Parks Dept.
5. **That’s it...you have successfully Stashed the Trash!!!** We ask you please return any unused trash bags to the Community Center.

If you need to report additional areas cleaned, problems during clean-up or any issues relating to your clean-up, please e-mail Chris Soi at csoi@villageofossining.org.

Thank you for your time and effort in keeping Ossining clean!

See other side for a “Safety Checklist” and “Roadway Clean-Up Tips”

Safety Checklist

- No horseplay or other activities that will compromise your safety.
- Be careful of the plants and animals. We don't want to hurt them.
- Wear a safety vest or orange/bright shirts.
- No vehicles should stop on roadways or roadway shoulders.
- Don't pick up anything that could be hazardous to your health including, but not limited to: needles, broken glass, animal carcasses or heavy objects.
- Wear appropriate gloves, long pants and footwear during clean-up. We recommend boots and leather shoes for really bad sites.
- Make sure children are supervised.
- A basic first aid kit is recommended.
- Avoid overexertion and keep hydrated.

Roadway Cleanups in Particular

- Children under 16 years of age should **not** participate in roadway cleanups.
- No horseplay or other activities that will compromise either your safety or distract motorists.
- Always face oncoming traffic.
- Stay well away from pavement areas and traffic.
- Do not walk on guardrails.
- Do not lean over guardrails.
- Stay off the underside of overhead bridge structures.
- Do not lean over bridge railings.