

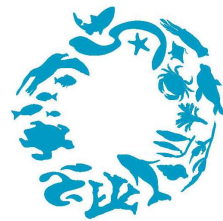


Empowering Pennsylvanians to keep our communities clean and beautiful.

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2025 KEEP PENNSYLVANIA BEAUTIFUL PICK UP PENNSYLVANIA

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Why Do We Need Pick Up Pennsylvania

We know cleanups alone are not going to solve the litter problem, but they are a way to not only manage the problem, but also a tool to build community stewardship and civic pride.



Pennsylvania Litter Research and Cost Study

KEY FINDINGS

- 502 million pieces of litter on our roads
- 37% comprised of cigarette butts
- 30% comprised of plastics with plastic film and beverage containers most prevalent
- PENNDOT spends upwards of \$13 million per year picking up litter along state-owned roadways
- Cities spent 68.5 million dollars managing litter and illegal dumping, 80% of those dollars just on cleanup
- Research, Fact Sheets, Media Releases and Infographics are available at: www.dep.pa.gov/litteringactionplan

*"We now have data from the most comprehensive statewide litter research effort ever conducted in Pennsylvania," said DEP Sec. McDonnell, "DEP is committed to working with our partners to use it strategically to shift the state's approach to litter from cleanup to prevention, so that Pennsylvanians may gain community economic, and environmental advantages they're now sacrificing to litter cleanup."
- February 4, 2020*



Litter is Costly

Litter and illegal dumping are a significant drain on state and local governments.

- Nine cities in PA spend 68.5 million annually on litter and illegal dumping.
 - 80% on cleanups
 - 1% on education

- PennDOT spends roughly \$14 million annually on statewide litter pickups.

For every dollar that is spent cleaning up litter and illegal dumping, it is one less dollar available for beneficial community services like fixing our roads and building and maintaining our parks.

Learn more about the costs of litter: <https://www.keppabeautiful.org/research/>



Notes for Affiliates:

- Many affiliates utilize our Pick Up PA Program and utilize the free supplies/ free or reduced disposal
- Many affiliates don't host cleanups and/or don't need free supplies themselves,
 - Simply help promote our Pick Up PA program instead! (We will talk about this more later)
- For our data (separate from affiliate good standing reporting) we need your Spring(March-May) and Fall (September to November) any data you can provide (hhw/cleanups, tire collections, education event stats etc.) for our yearly and historical data.



What is Pick Up Pennsylvania?

- Pick Up Pennsylvania is a year-long initiative!
- Events types: litter and illegal dump cleanups, community greening and beautification, special collections and education events.
- Events scheduled from Mar 1 - May 31 & September 1 – November 30 receive FREE trash bags, gloves, and safety vests as supplies last.
- April 1 through April 30, PA DEP and Pennsylvania Waste Industries Association sponsor free or reduced trash disposal at participating landfills.
- Events must be registered at keeppabeautiful.org to receive free cleanup supplies and be eligible for free or reduced cost disposal.

Call us at 724-836-4121 if you need help registering, or don't have a computer or email and we'll register for you.



Important Program Notes

Remember:

- All registered events are eligible for FREE work gloves, safety vests, and trash bags (courtesy of [PennDOT](#), and [PA DEP](#)) while supplies last.
- Members of the [Pennsylvania Waste Industries Association](#) and other landfill owners, along with the [PA DEP](#), have graciously donated landfill space for trash collected during the cleanup. Please note that free or reduced landfill space is available only between April 1st through April 30th. Everyone who registers an event with Pick Up Pennsylvania will be given access to a list of services and supplies available in their area. As a reminder, there is no free tire disposal for Pick Up Pennsylvania. To properly dispose of your tires, visit the [PA DEP's list of permitted tire recyclers and processors](#).
- Plan for [proper disposal of any electronics](#) that are found.
- Community Cleanup Day events held for residents to clean out their households are not eligible for the Free or Reduced Disposal Days (which is between April 1st through April 30th).
- Please be aware that some lands may be open for hunting or trapping even on some Sundays. For current seasons and dates for your cleanup location, visit [the PA Game Commission](#) for the most up-to-date info.
- Please contact your local PennDOT office in a timely manner prior to your event to ensure your group receives enough gloves, vests, and trash bags as supplies are limited and this also gives them ample time to process your request.

If you have any questions regarding Pick Up Pennsylvania, please contact Michelle Dunn at 724-836-4121 ext. 113 or [e-mail](#).

Supplies and Resource Page

Allegheny County Resources

Free gloves, bags and vests are available for Pick Up Pennsylvania registered events only. If you have not yet registered your event, please visit [Pick Up Pennsylvania](#) for program information and registration.

To request the free supplies, please contact the PennDOT's Adopt a Highway Coordinator in your county. Have your event ID handy when contacting the Coordinator. Please note, supplies may not be available all year but when they are, they are only available until supplies last. So, register your event early!

Allegheny County Adopt-A-Highway

Contact Name: Tyler Tomasino

Address: 51 Fox Chapel Road

Pittsburgh, PA 15238

Phone: 412-781-3260 ext 216

E-mail: ttomasino@pa.gov

Below are additional resources that may be helpful depending on the needs of the event or organization.

- [Allegheny CleanWays](#)
Phone: 412-381-1301
- [Allegheny County Recycling Coordinator/Allegheny Health Department](#)
Phone: 412-578-8390
- [Allegheny County Conservation District](#)
Phone: 412-241-7645
- [DEP Southwest Regional Office](#)
Phone: 412-442-4000
- [Allegheny County Penn State Extension](#)
Phone: 412-263-1000

Trash Disposal and Safety

4. Trash Disposal (If you can not dispose of the trash yourself)

- State maintained roadways (roads in which PennDOT plows and maintains) we suggest working with the local [PennDOT office](#) to coordinate the pick up and disposal of collected trash from the cleanup.
- Locally maintained roadways (roads in which the county, city, township or borough plows and maintains) we suggest working the local governing body and the public works or street departments to coordinate the pick up and disposal of collected trash from the cleanup.
- Trails and Parks, we suggest contacting trail group, park office or local government where trail is located to coordinate the pick up and disposal of collected trash from the cleanup.

Always coordinate trash pickup and disposal before starting your cleanup.

5. Safety

- Involve your local government and police in your cleanup, and make sure they are aware of your plans. Let them know where you will be, and when you plan to be there. They may be able to assist you with parking, traffic and other safety concerns.
- If you live in a community that does not have local police protection, contact your local [State Police barracks](#) for assistance.
- Be aware of private property, and get permission from landowners before going on their land.
- Organize into teams, and have team leaders become familiar with [cleanup safety information](#).
- Roadside litter can be dangerous. Do not open coolers, jugs, bottles and other sealed containers.
- Make sure volunteers wear gloves, appropriate clothing, and safety gear.
- Please be aware that some lands may be open for hunting or trapping even on some Sundays. For current seasons and dates for your cleanup location, visit [the PA Game Commission](#) for the most up-to-date info.
- Report any suspicious or dangerous items to police immediately.
- Make sure children are not left unattended near highways or water.
- For volunteer safety, please inform your volunteers prior to your cleanup what remnants of a meth lab contain. [Download the "Meth Labs: A Recipe for Disaster" pdf file here.](#)

Free or Reduced Cost Disposal Page (Link received when event is registered)

Participating Landfills for Pick Up Pennsylvania's Spring Cleanup.

Sponsored by the [PA Department of Environmental Protection](#) and the [Pennsylvania Waste Industries Association](#)

Please check back later after March 1st, when we have updated landfill information.

Utilizing the free or reduced cost landfill disposal is only for **registered** Pick Up PA events and only from April 1st to 30th. An event ID will be required. Also, please note that donated landfill capacity at a specific facility may change at any time, so it is important to contact them before a drop-off to make sure they are available to accommodate your load.

Use the search below to find participating landfills for your event. Don't see one near you? Check back later as details are updated as we receive them from landfills, or contact Michelle Dunn at 1-877-772-3673 ext. 113 or mdunn@keepopabeautiful.org.

Counties from where waste is accepted

Allegheny

Accepts tires?

No

Additional Landfill Services

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Evergreen Landfill Inc

Contact Person: Lorraine Feracioly

1310 Luciusboro Rd
Blairsville, PA 15717

[Map It](#)

Phone: [\(724\) 479-3336](tel:(724)479-3336)
Email: lferacioly@wm.com

Hours of operation:
M - F 8AM - 3PM

Accepts tires?
No

Counties from where waste is accepted:
Allegheny, Armstrong, Blair, Cambria, Cameron, Indiana, Jefferson,
Westmoreland

Monroeville Landfill

Contact Person: Jamie Botti

2841 Broadway Blvd
Monroeville, PA 15146

[Map It](#)

Phone: [\(412\) 317-9046](tel:(412)317-9046)

Hours of operation:
M - F 7AM - 2PM, Sat 7AM - 11AM

Accepts tires?
No

Other notes or details:
Loads coming in must have event registration #. Landfill entrance: 2841 Broadway Blvd, Monroeville PA

Importance of Reporting

Not only do we want to see and hear about your progress, but our funding depends on it! Donated supplies are contingent on annual results, so it is important to report. Our programs success currently, and in the future, depend on reported numbers.



Other Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Programs and Resources

- Illegal Dump Free PA
- Educational Resources
- Litter Free School Zones
- Land Steward Adoptions
- Waterway Stewards



<https://www.keeppabeautiful.org/programs>



Working with PennDOT

- If your affiliate is considering a community wide event- working with AAH and their groups can be a part of your collective effort in the community
- Reach out to your AAH County Coordinator in general but also:
 - For road closure, cleanup safety, must coordinate far in advance and have a dedicated volunteer base for that event
 - Safety signs they might be able to provide
 - Garbage pickup along state roadways
 - If you want a joint PSA/ Press Release from your local PennDOT about Pick Up PA and your local efforts
- Adoption Programs
 - PennDOT vs Keep PA Beautiful Adoption program

Does any affiliates on the call have a good relationship with their PennDOT office?



Connect with Us on Social Media

- **Facebook:** @Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful
- **Instagram:** @keppabeautiful
- **LinkedIn:** @Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful
- **Flickr:** @Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful
- **YouTube:** @Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful





We appreciate your pictures!



Making a Difference by Working Together

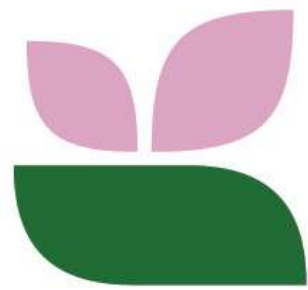
Since 1990 Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful works with many partnering organizations on the state and grassroots level to accomplish our goal of a clean and beautiful Pennsylvania. 2024 Stats:

➤ Events	5,518
➤ Volunteers	77,367
➤ Volunteer Hours	309,468
➤ Pounds of material recycled	4,424,915
➤ Pounds of trash properly disposed	3,257,920
➤ Trees, shrubs, and flowers (Greens)	14,046
➤ Number of tires recycled/properly disposed	46,726



Thank you all who contributed to those numbers!!!





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