



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Volunteer to Help Restore the DuPage River**

**Photo: [Volunteer Groups Help During the Annual DuPage River Sweep](#)**

Lisle, IL – Join the fun of the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual DuPage River Sweep while enjoying the outdoors on the morning of Saturday, May 21. Make a difference in the quality and appearance of waterways in Lisle and its neighboring communities.

Volunteers are needed Saturday, May 21, from 9:00am-12:00pm noon to help remove debris and restore areas near streams of the DuPage River and its tributaries. Since 1991, over 10,800 volunteers have participated in this annual clean-up and removed nearly 3,252 tons of trash. In 2015, a record was set by 600 volunteers who cleared debris over 95 miles of shoreline, removing items such as a car bumper, tricycle, no-parking sign, shopping cart and 40 golf balls. With your involvement this year, more creeks, tributaries and riverways will be cleaner and healthier!

Enjoy exercising outdoors while removing potential hazards for river wildlife, improving water flow through the county, and alleviating potential flood hazards. If picking up trash isn't quite your bag, then help restore natural areas near waterways by removing invasive plant species, such as buckthorn, garlic mustard, honeysuckle and multiflora rose.

There is still time to register as a group or individual to participate in Lisle! Call The Conservation Foundation at 630-428-4500 (ext. 121) or visit [theconservationfoundation.org/sweep](http://theconservationfoundation.org/sweep) to sign-up now.

The Lisle Park District provides a variety of leisure activities for people of all ages throughout the year. Park district facilities include Lisle Community Park; the Recreation Center which houses Gentle Learning Preschool, SEASPAR, the Senior Center, and multipurpose rooms; Sea Lion Aquatic Park; River Bend Golf Course; Wheatstack – A Midwestern Eatery & Tap and numerous neighborhood playgrounds and parks offering amenities such as tennis courts, ball fields, walking paths and picnic areas totaling close to 400 acres. It is the mission of the Lisle Park District to enrich the quality of life for people of all ages by providing constructive and creative leisure opportunities. For more information about the Lisle Park District, please call 630-964-3410 or visit [LisleParkDistrict.org](http://LisleParkDistrict.org).

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