Clean Cities Community Clean Teams Weekly Report

September 23, 2021

Reporting Week September 13 through September 19

Week in Review

This week the community clean team focused on two large emphasis areas, Genesee Park and Commodore Park as well as the various litter and trash pick-up locations citywide. There was a jamboree and volunteer project on the same day at Commodore Park. The following summary includes Clean Cities work accomplished by Parks/SDOT Clean Cities Crews and volunteers.

By the Numbers:

- Trash mitigation completed at 37 locations by Parks crews, 49 locations by SDOT crews
- 4,500 needles collected by Parks Crews
- 57,160 lbs. trash collected via Community Clean Teams
- 30 blocks of litter pickup by SDOT crews
- 2.5 miles of vegetation management
- 483 tents counted onsite
- 13 signs of graffiti removed

Clean Cities Routes Site Cleaning Examples By 4 Quadrants

NW Community Clean Team

- **Licton Springs**: 6-Tents, 4-Structures, 35-Needles, 1,050lbs of debris -9/13, 9/15, 9/16

Before | After
- Woodland Park: 70-Tents, 8-Structures, 500-Needles, 4,700lbs of debris -9/13, 9/16
- 8th Ave W & W Blaine St: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/13
- 8th Ave NW and NW 43rd St: 1 block of litter pickup, 8-lbs of debris -9/13
- 1406 NW 53rd St: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/13
- 1235 8th Ave W: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/13
- Northacres Park: 1-Tent, 11-Needles, 850lbs of debris -9/13, 9/17
- I-5 South to N. Northgate Way Westbound Off Ramp Vicinity: 3-Tents, 2-Structures, 48-Needles, 1,980lbs of debris -9/13
- **Bitter Lake Park and CC**: 75-Tents, 5-Structures, 383-Needles, 4,320lbs of debris -9/13, 9/15, 9/16, 9/17

**Before**

**During**

**After**

- Puetz Golf: 30-Tents, 12-Structures, 125-Needles, 2,200lbs of debris -9/13, 9/15
- Mary Ave NW and 90th St: No-Tents, 300lbs of debris -9/13
- Green Lake Park: 30-Tents, 6-Structures, 175-Needles, 1,300lbs of debris -9/13, 9/16
- Gas Works: 8-Tents, 1-Structure, 6-Needles, 450lbs of debris, assist parks with traffic control, 1 block of litter pickup, 80lbs of debris, pressure washed -9/14, 9/17
- **NE 74th St & 6th Ave NE**: 1 block of litter pickup, 100lbs of debris, 20 yards of mulched – 9/14
  - Before
  - During

- **2731 West Lake Ave N**: 1-Tent, 1-Structure, 12-Needles, 1,950lbs of debris -9/14
- **Ballard Commons Park**: 60-Tents, 6-Structures, 46-Needles, 1,360lbs of debris -9/14, 9/17
- **Ballard Library**: 5-Tents, 2-Needles, 200lbs of debris -9/14
- **Kinnear Park**: 18-Tents, 2-Structures, 22-Needles, 300lbs of debris -9/14
- **Golden Gardens**: 2-Tents, 7-Needles, 920lbs of debris -9/14
- **2815 Boylston Ave E**: 1 block of litter pickup, 100lbs of debris -9/14
- **1400 NW Market St**: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/15
- **Green Lake Park NW**: 30-Tents, 150-Needles, 800lbs of debris -9/15
- **457 5th Ave N**: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/15
- **300 W Republican St**: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/15
- **4469 Stone Way N**: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/15
- **916 N 45th St**: 2 signs of graffiti cleaned -9/15
• 644 NW 44th St: Clear of Tents, 300lbs of debris -9/16
• Fremont Canal: 6-Tents, 300lbs of debris -9/16

NE Community Clean Team

• Jackson Golf: 11-Tents, 4-Structures, 40-Needles, 2,220lbs of debris -9/13, 9/17
• Virgil Flaim: Clear nothing to report -9/13
• 2455 24th Ave E: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/13
• NE 130th St and 10th Ave NE: 0.5 mile of vegetation management -9/14
• E Shelby St and Franklin Ave E: 2 miles of Vegetation Management, 2 trees pruned, 2 blocks of litter pickup, 20lbs of debris -9/14, 9/15
• NE 50th St Northbound I-5 On Ramp Vicinity: No-Tents, 2-Structures, 14-Needles, 500lbs of debris -9/15
• **Thomas St Mini Park**: 10-Tents, 180-Needles, 2,500lbs of debris -9/15

• Boylston Ave E and E Shelby: Vegetation Management, sodding, Truck Mower 3 SW Mile -9/16
• NE 45th St Off Ramp from Northbound I-5 On Ramp Vicinity: 10-Tents, 4-Structures, 28-Needles, 450lbs of debris -9/15
• Harvard & Allison: 1 block of litter pickup, 240lbs of debris, 5 tree pruned -9/16
• **Ravenna BLVD Vicinity**: 4-Tents, 36-Needles, 1,000lbs of debris -9/17
• Lake City Mini Park: pressure washed -9/17
• Ravenna Park (20th St Foot Bridge): No-Tents, 2-Needles, 360lbs of debris -9/17
• 8th Ave NE & NE 70th St: Put out 20 No Parks for SDOT mowing -9/17
• Broadway E & Harvard Ave E: Put out verifications for mowing -9/17
• E Denny Way & Melrose Ave: 2 blocks of litter pickup, 10lbs of debris -9/17

SW Community Clean Team

• **Westcrest Park**: 12-Tents, 2-Structures, 50-Needles, 500lbs of debris -9/14

Before

During/After

• **SW Juneau St and 26th Ave SW**: 2-Tents, 4-Structures, 30-Needles, 800lbs of debris -9/14

Before

During/After

• West Seattle Stadium/ Camp Long: No-Tents, 16-Needles, 400lbs of debris -9/15
• Duwamish Trail: 3 blocks of litter pickup, 20lbs of debris -9/17
• SW Henderson St & 22nd Ave SW: 1 block of litter pickup, 10lbs of debris -9/17
SE Community Clean Team

- 10th Ave S. & Dearborn to S Weller St: No-Tents, 4-Structures, 27-Needles, 850lbs of debris -9/13
- 1816 11th Ave: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/13
- 12th Ave & S Lane St: assist parks with traffic control -9/13
- Prefontaine Park: 1-Tent, 100-Needles, 600lbs of debris -9/13, 9/15, 9/17
- Pioneer Square Pergola: 25-Tents, 160-Needles, 1,200lbs of debris, assist parks with traffic control -9/13, 9/15, 9/17
- **International District and I-5 Emphasis Area (8th & King St)**: 25-Tents, 6-Structures, 250-Needles, 1,300lbs of debris -9/13, 9/17

**Before**

- 4th and Yesler Way: 6-Tents, 160-Needles, 100lbs of debris -9/13, 9/17
- Navigation Center Vicinity: 12-Tents, 60-Needles, 200lbs of debris -9/13
- I-5 Express Lane on Boylston: No-Tents, 75-Needles, 2,200lbs of debris -9/14
- 4th Ave S & S Royal Brougham St (T-Mobile Landscape): Sprayed weeds to maintain plant health -9/14
- Westlake Ave N & 4th Ave N: Assist parks with traffic control -9/14
- 1401 19th Ave: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/14
- 3710 S Angelic St: 1 sign of graffiti cleaned -9/14

**After**
- Pinehurst Playfield: 1-Tents, 4-Needles, 800lbs of debris -9/15
- 29th Ave between Union & Spring: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- 29th Ave between Union & Pike: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- 30th Ave between Union & Pike: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- 30th Ave between Union & Spring: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- 37th Ave E & Dorffel Dr: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- E John & Dorffel Dr: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- S Main St (Eastside of MLK): 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- S Jackson St & Lakeside Ave S: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- S King St between 29th Ave S & 30th Ave S: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- S King St between 30th Ave S & 31st Ave S: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/15
- 29th Ave S & S Lane St: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/16
- 31st Ave S & S Lane St: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/16
- 37th Ave S & S Charlestown St: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/16
- 32nd Ave S & S Charlestown St: 1 block of sidewalk cleaned -9/16
- **Beacon Ave S. Medians (Jefferson Park)**: 15-Tents, 6-Structures, 15-Needles, 1,200lbs of debris -9/17

Before

![Before](image1.jpg)

After

![After](image2.jpg)
- 4th Ave between Cherry and James: 4-Tents, 15-Needles, 320lbs of debris, 1 block of litter pickup -9/17
- Hubbell Pl: 2 blocks of litter pickup, 10lbs of debris -9/17
- 4th Ave S & S Forest St: 1 block of litter pickup, 10lbs of debris -9/17
- 10th Ave & E Spruce St: 1 block of litter pickup, 10lbs of debris -9/17
- Airport Way S & S Spokane St (I-5 Stairway): 1 block of litter pickup, 10lbs of debris -9/17
- Beacon Ave S & north of Cheasty: 2 blocks of litter pickup, 150lbs of debris, 3 trees pruned -9/17

**Pioneer Square 1st Ave median volunteer event -9/18**
SDOT Urban Forestry Landscape crew, SDOT Traffic, and the Alliance for Pioneer Square all coordinated a large volunteer fall clean-up in the historic Pioneer Square neighborhood along 1st Avenue. Signs and Markings crews closed 6 blocks of road on 1st Avenue from Cherry St to S Dearborn St in both directions. The Alliance for Pioneer Square and the Clean Cities Parks’ group provided volunteer outreach and acquisition for the day of the event. All in all, 36 volunteers showed up in the face of inclement weather forecasts to help the gardening crew weed, plant bulbs, and mulch the medians in the 6-block stretch. The volunteers showed dedication and pride, working hard to plant more than 1600 bulbs after weeding the medians, and then spreading 34 yards of mulch. The event spanned most of the day, with the road closure in effect from 7am to 4pm.

![Before](image1)

![During](image2)
- **Beacon & Cheasty**: 3 blocks of litter pickup, 150lbs of debris, 4 trees pruned, 3 yards mulched -9/19

Before

After

**Clean Cities Emphasis Areas**

- Genesee Park: 9/14. SE District’s Clean City Jamboree was held at Genesee Park. There was a safety meeting discussed was mask wearing, social distancing and mandated vaccine protocols. The crew worked at the corner of 46th South and Lake Washington Blvd in 2 large shrub beds. Crews removed blackberries, weeds from the shrub beds and thinned shrubs and trees. The edges of the beds were mulched for weed suppression.
Overgrown large shrub beds

Removing blackberry with loppers
Hedge and pole pruning

Line trimming perimeter of beds for mulching
• Commodore Park: 9/16. CW District’s Clean City Jamboree was held at Genesee Park. A safety meeting was to discuss current mask wearing, social distancing and mandated vaccine protocols. Hedge trimming was completed on the sides of a staircase to push back encroaching vegetation for CPTED. Strawberry tree branches were cut for clear passage, suckers were cut and removed from arbutus trees. A laurel hedge with blackberry growing in it along Commodore Way was trimmed and the blackberry was removed. The IMW pressure washed memorial benches, a shelter and graffiti have been removed from several locations. The crew laid burlap for weed suppression and mulched along the parking lot walkway.
Delivering mulch and spread after

Clearing stairway of encroaching vegetation

Stairway after hedge trimming
Hedge trimming Commodore Way Before

After hedge trimming and mulched

Tree limbing low hanging Strawberry tree branches
• Clean City Volunteer Project Commodore Park: 9/16. CW District Sr. Gardner Jody Blecksmith showed the 2 volunteers the section of work. Both volunteers had volunteered at different locations in the past. There was a quick safety briefing then they began the work remove suckers and volunteer shoots. The 2 did an awesome job!

Look Ahead Week of September 20 to September 26

Emphasis Cleans:

NW: Green Lake Park
NE: North Bound I-5 to East bound 520 ( E. Harvard Ave. & Broadway E. )
SW: Cottage cove Park
SE: 8th AVE S. ( Street End & Gateway Park )
SE: Beacon Ave S. SDOT medians

The Crews will be doing litter picks, trash mitigation; any Bio- Hazard removal that may be required, and related grounds maintenance work. Crews will also be providing maintenance and cleaning efforts both in and around these parks. Field inspections and cleaning of right of way areas will include stairways, multi-use paths, streets, and sidewalks in the immediate vicinity of these parks.