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***Pick It Up!* series expands to Salem: Volunteers invited to inaugural community cleanup at Cascades Gateway Park on July 17**

Portland, Ore., July 8, 2026 – SOLVE is bringing its Pick It Up! community cleanup series to Salem for the first time and invites volunteers to join the inaugural ***Pick It Up, Salem!*** event on **Friday, July 17**, from **10 a.m. to noon** at **Cascades Gateway Park**.

Volunteers will meet near Walter Wirth Lake before heading out in teams to remove litter throughout the park and surrounding areas, helping keep one of Salem's popular community spaces clean and welcoming for everyone.

Cleanup supplies, including litter grabbers, gloves, safety vests, and bags, will be provided. Volunteers of all ages are welcome.

Pick It Up! is SOLVE's regional cleanup initiative that brings residents, businesses, and community organizations together to care for shared public spaces city by city. The program has already expanded from Portland and Vancouver to communities in Milwaukie, Bend, and Medford, with Salem becoming the newest city to join the effort.

Pick It Up, Salem! is made possible through the generous support of Salem Health Hospitals & Clinics, Lithia & Driveway, and Harper Houf Peterson Righellis Inc.

Visit the [Pick It Up, Salem!](#) event site or [registration page](#) for more information.

About SOLVE

SOLVE brings communities together to take care of our environment and enhance our waterways. Since 1969, the organization has grown from a small, grassroots initiative to a national model of volunteer action. Today, SOLVE mobilizes and trains thousands of volunteers of all ages across Oregon, and SW Washington, to clean and restore our neighborhoods and natural areas, while empowering a community of environmental stewards for our state. Visit solve.org for more information or follow SOLVEPNW on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#).