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Beach & Riverside Cleanup in Milwaukie & Molalla: Local Volunteer Events Invite Community Action

Portland, Ore., September 11, 2026 – SOLVE's annual **Beach & Riverside Cleanup** is bringing volunteers together across Oregon and Southwest Washington from **September 18–27**, with nearly 100 volunteer opportunities to clean up and care for local beaches, waterways, parks and community spaces.

Communities in **Milwaukie and Molalla** offering several opportunities to care for local rivers, public spaces and recreation areas. From downtown streets and the river's edge in Milwaukie to recreation sites, trails and riverside areas along the Molalla River, these local events give residents a chance to make a visible difference close to home.

Featured Beach & Riverside Cleanup Events:

[Pick It Up, Milwaukie!](#)

Milwaukie | September 19, 8:30 – 10:30

In partnership with **Bob's Red Mill**, SOLVE is bringing back Pick It Up, Milwaukie! for its second year. Volunteers will clean up downtown streets, business corridors and nearby gathering spaces, as well as **Milwaukie's Bay Park**, including the river's edge. After the cleanup, participants can join the community's **Sustainability Fair** nearby.

[Molalla River Cleanup](#)

Molalla | September 19, 9 am – 2 pm

Volunteers, in collaboration with the **Bureau of Land Management, SOLVE and Molalla River Watch**, will clean up recreation and day-use sites along the Molalla River while also helping with trail maintenance on the nearby Hardy Creek trail system.

[Molalla River Watch Annual Fall Cleanup](#)

Molalla | September 19, 9 am – 1 pm

Volunteers will gather at Feyrer Park before dispersing to public river access sites throughout the Molalla River Recreation Corridor. The cleanup will focus on removing trash along the river, with possible trail enhancement work, and will include a volunteer appreciation barbecue afterward.

Wagonwheel Park Cleanup

Molalla | September 27, 1 pm – 3 pm

Local Girl Scout troops will help clean up Wagonwheel Park, removing trash from the parking lot, pathways and riverside areas of this well-loved summer destination.

How to Get Involved

- **Volunteer:** Browse local Beach & Riverside Cleanup events and register yourself or a group at volunteer.solve.org/beach-riverside
- **Bring your community:** Invite friends, family, coworkers or neighbors to take part in a local cleanup or restoration project.

SOLVE's **2026 Beach & Riverside Cleanup** is proudly supported by Clean Water Services, Kaiser Permanente, Knife River, Keep America Beautiful, Metro, National Recreation and Park Association, Oregon State Park & Recreation, Owens Corning, Portco Packaging, Tillamook, Harper Houf Peterson Righellis Inc., and KOIN.

For more information or to register, visit solve.org/beach-riverside

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](#).
