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## COUNTY EXECUTIVE ADAM BELLO ANNOUNCES REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE FOR 15th ANNUAL "PICK UP THE PARKS" ON APRIL 12

Volunteers must submit registration forms by March 28, 2025

**ROCHESTER, NY** —Monroe County Executive Adam Bello today announced registration forms for the annual "Pick Up the Parks" event are now available on the county website: <a href="mailto:monroecounty.gov/parks-pickuptheparks">monroecounty.gov/parks-pickuptheparks</a>. The clean-up initiative takes place throughout the Monroe County Parks System on April 12 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Volunteers can register to help clean up the parks from the winter accumulation of trash and debris, reduce litter entering local waterways and help get the parks looking great for the spring and summer.

"We're grateful that every year, hundreds of Monroe County residents come together to volunteer to clean up our parks," said **County Executive Adam Bello**. "Community service plays a crucial role in strengthening our neighborhoods, and by volunteering, you're not only improving the environment but also fostering a sense of unity and pride. If you're looking for a meaningful way to give back, I encourage you to join with your friends, family or community organization for a rewarding day that will help prepare our parks for the warmer months ahead."

## Specific jobs include:

- Picking up trash/litter and/or loading up trucks to take trash off-site
- Raking/picking up debris (leaves, sticks, and rocks)
- Additional duties, such as sweeping shelters, lodges and hard surfaces, and mulching and weeding may be available at some locations

Volunteers can sign up to help clean any one of Monroe County's 22 parks. This is a rain or shine event unless extreme weather is in the forecast.

To register a group, go to <u>monroecounty.gov/parks-pickuptheparks</u>. Registration forms must be submitted by e-mail to <u>mcparks@monroecounty.gov</u> by March 28.

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