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Beach & Riverside Cleanup in in Vancouver & Southwest Washington: Local Volunteer Events Invite Community Action

Portland, Ore., September 10, 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.

In Southwest Washington, Beach & Riverside Cleanup events will connect community action with clean waterways, healthy habitats and care for some of Vancouver's most-loved public spaces. From Waterfront Park and the Renaissance Trail to historic Covington House and Ellsworth Springs West, volunteers can take part in cleanup and restoration projects throughout the region.

Featured Beach & Riverside Cleanup Events in Vancouver & Southwest Washington

[Migratory Bird Celebration](#)

Vancouver | September 19, 10 am – 1 pm

Vancouver Audubon and the City of Vancouver's Water Resources Education Center are teaming up for the third annual Migratory Bird Celebration. This free, family-friendly event will feature games, crafts and bird outings while highlighting the importance of clean water, native plants, insects and healthy habitats for migrating birds.

[Clean & Green: Waterfront Park Cleanup](#)

Vancouver | September 19, 10am – 12pm

SOLVE's Clean & Green Series will bring volunteers together at Waterfront Park, downtown Vancouver and the Renaissance Trail to remove litter and care for community spaces. Volunteers will meet at the waterfront across from Evoke Winery before dispersing into the surrounding area for the cleanup.

[Esther Short Cleanup with SOLVE – Give More 24!](#)

Vancouver | September 24, 10 am – 12 pm

SOLVE will partner with Give More 24! for a community litter cleanup beginning at Esther Short Park. Volunteers can give back to the community while taking part in Southwest Washington's annual day of giving.

National Public Lands Day – Ivy Removal at the Historic Covington House

Vancouver | September 24, 9 am – 12 pm

The City of Vancouver, Vancouver's NatureSpaces program and the Clark County Historical Museum are bringing volunteers together to remove invasive ivy around the historic Covington House. Built in 1848, the site is the oldest Euro-American structure in Washington and a significant part of Vancouver's history.

Ellsworth Springs West – Natural Area Ivy Removal

Vancouver | September 26, 10 am – 12pm

Volunteers will work together to remove harmful ivy from trees at Ellsworth Springs West, helping protect native trees, wildlife habitat and biodiversity in the natural area.

Cleanup at Operation Understanding – Couve Collective

Vancouver | September 26, 11 am–12 pm

SOLVE and Couve Collective will kick off the organization's Operation Understanding block party with a community litter cleanup. Volunteers are invited to stick around afterward for food, live music and local vendors through 5 pm.

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](#).
