



How to earn the Capitol Area Council Scouts Trash the Trash 2021 Patch with this Project:

1. Follow the participant guidelines.
2. Collect trash and recycling totaling at least 4.4 pounds with a friend or family member (2.2 lb for each person)
3. Send us a photo of yourself and your friend or family member with your trash and/or recycling
4. Report your efforts on a GOOGLE DOC (location to be emailed closer to the event.

Be sure to have your unit leaders report service hours on "Internet Advancement."

Scouts Trash the Trash 2021 Patch Guidelines

Who

Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturers, Explorers, Sea Scouts and Scouters! AND, at least one friend or family member per participant.

What

Improve our environment by reducing trash and recyclables that would otherwise end up in the landscape, earth, streams, rivers, and oceans, causing harm to humans and animals.

Where

Public spaces such as local parks, school grounds, forests, streams, lakes, beaches, etc. Not on private property.

When

May 1st, 2021

How

1. Please follow all local, state and federal guidelines surrounding COVID-19. Consult local and national government websites regarding current orders regarding COVID 19 safety. Current recommendations include:
 - a. Maintain minimum 6-foot separation between individuals while picking up trash and recycling at all times.
 - b. The CDC recommends wearing a mask while in public places where contact with other people is likely.
2. Choose a place to pick up trash and recyclables. Please stay out of areas (parks, beaches, trails, etc.) that have been closed by local authorities. Also stay away from health facilities, live-in care centers, homeless camps or other high-risk locations.
3. Choose a friend or family member to accompany you.
4. Bring separate bags for trash and recycling.
5. Pick a time on May 1st to collect the trash and recycling. Record your volunteer hours.

6. Wear gloves and close-toed shoes. Consider wearing two types of gloves. Nitrile gloves protect you from direct contact transmission, and work-type gloves protect you from injury. The type of gloves will depend on the type and location of trash. Do not touch your face or uncovered body parts with the gloves. After trash collection, properly remove and dispose of gloves.
7. Weigh your trash and recycling separately. Record the weight. Dispose of the trash in a dumpster or other receptacle that is directly emptied by commercial trash services. Recycle glass bottles, cans, plastic bottles and other recyclables according to your local recycling options. Be especially careful with items that could have had contact with an infected individual such as bottles or cans.
8. Wash your hands well for at least 20 seconds with soap and water (recite the Scout Oath and Law to yourself), then use hand sanitizer if available.
9. Report results on the GOOGLE DOC by May 7th, 2021