



Summertime and the River's Cleaning



June kicked off our Huron River Cleanup season, which started off with a bang! In June, volunteer cleanup groups collected **801.7 pounds** of litter from the river! Qiagen alone recovered over 345 pounds of litter, setting an all-time record! We'll see if anyone can beat that.

Gentherm Interns at the Huron River at Argo Park 6.13.24

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UPCOMING VOLUNTEER EVENTS

[Click here to learn more and register for our upcoming volunteer events!](#)

You can also email volunteer@a2gov.org

- July 2** Love a Park Day at **Broadway Park** 3-5pm
- July 6** Bike Park Workday at **Tuebingen Park** 12:30-2:30pm
- July 10** Mural Painting at **Fuller Park** 10am-12pm
- July 11** Love a Park Day at **Scheffler Park** 10am-12pm
- July 11** Mural Painting at **Fuller Park** 10am-12pm
- July 12** Love a Park Day at **Gallup Butterfly Garden** 10am-12pm
- July 12** Mural Painting at **Fuller Park** 10am-12pm
- July 13** Bike Park Workday at **Bandemer Park** 12:30-2:30pm
- July 17** Love the River Day at **Gallup Livery** 4-5:30pm
- July 18** Love a Park Day at **Leslie Park** 10am-12pm
- July 19** Love a Park Day at **Fuller Park** 5-6:30pm
- July 20** Bike Park Workday at **Tuebingen Park** 12:30-2:30pm
- July 25** Love a Park Day at **Veterans Memorial Park** 5-7pm
- July 27** Bike Park Workday at **Bandemer Park** 12:30-2:30pm
- July 30** Love a Park Day at **Belize Park** 10am-12pm





JUNE HIGHLIGHTS

June Totals: **41** Events - **390** Volunteers - **788** Hours



GIVE 365 is again part of the AADL Summer Game!

GIVE 365 is partnering with the AADL Summer Game! Stop by the "VEP Lounge" outside of our office to find a code! There are a few codes on our websites too...

[GIVE Back to Parks Badge](#)
[Learn about the AADL Summer Game here!](#)

Aerotek & Wacker Painting at Bandemer *June 6 + 7, 2024*

Volunteers from **Aerotek** and **Wacker** helped paint a bathroom facility in Bandemer Park, and Wacker donated an anti-graffiti solution to help keep it from being tagged in the future!





Gallup Butterfly Garden Workday

June 7, 2024

Plenty of volunteers joined the park adopters at this beautiful and unique garden to help do some weeding and beautification!



A2ZERO Week: Love a Park Day at the Bryant Community Center

June 13, 2024

We partnered with OSI's A2ZERO week and held a Love a Park Day at Bryant Community Center! Volunteers helped in the rain garden.



Treasuring Christ Church at Veterans Memorial Park

June 27, 2024

The adopters at the memorial garden asked for help, and TCC answered by bringing out a huge group and revitalizing these gardens! The group did a ton of weeding, planting, and mulching. It looks incredible now! This memorial garden commemorates veterans of all branches of the U.S. armed forces.





Jump Clinic at Bandemer Bike Park 6/1/24

SOARING AT THE BIKE PARKS

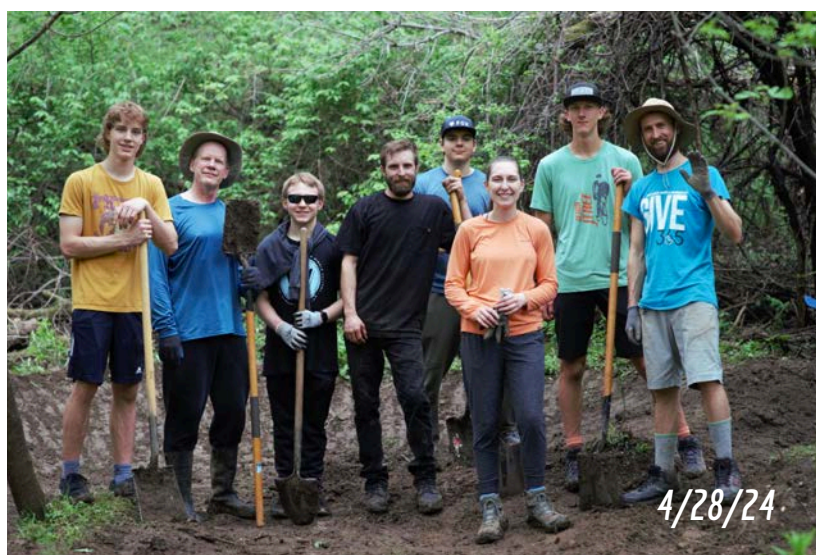
Volunteers and staff are helping bike enthusiasts get some air!



There's been a flurry of activity at the bike parks thanks to volunteers and a volunteer-turned-staff member. A dedicated crew has been tirelessly working to maintain and improve these unique amenities at Bandemer Park and Tuebingen Park. These efforts are led by **Garret Potter**, whose dedication led to him getting hired as our volunteer coordinator at the bike parks. They've also been leading clinics at both parks, helping people learn to jump and get some serious air! These have been led by Garret and volunteer **Stuart Knight**, seen above in the air.



6/1/24



4/28/24

CLEANING UP THE RIVER

Volunteer groups are picking up thousands of pounds of trash from the Huron!

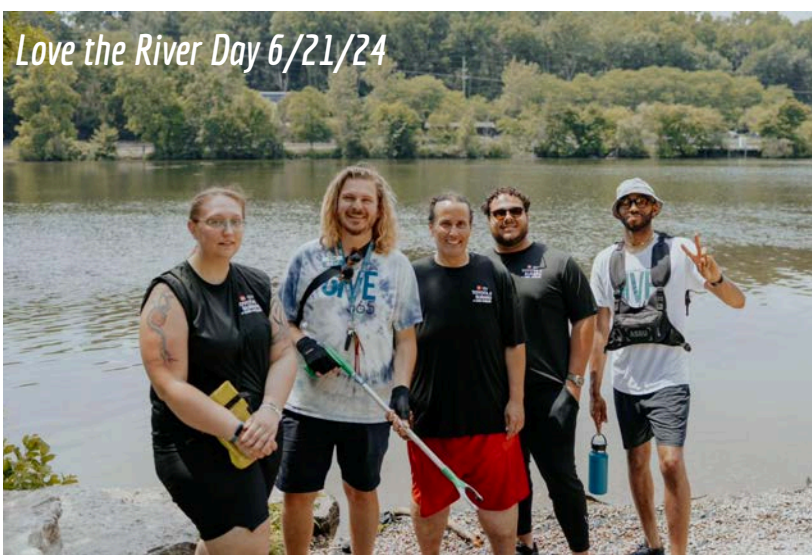


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Our **Huron River Cleanup Program** runs for four months in the summer, from June through September. GIVE 365 has been leading these river cleanups since 2013! This program is funded by a grant from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE). Last year we held 25 events and picked up over 1600 pounds of litter. We're trying to beat those numbers this year and we're well on our way, with over 800 pounds collected in June already! We're booked for 2023 but if you'd like to plan a 2024 event email rpoling@a2gov.org!



Love the River Day 6/21/24



Neighborhood Workday at Graydon Park 6.1.24

Adopter Workday at the Liberty Plaza Sensory Garden

6/1/24: Park adopter Linda, who helps with the Sensory Garden at Liberty Plaza, was joined by her granddaughter and a few other volunteers to help spruce up this unique garden! This garden is designed to be enjoyed by people with disabilities and sensory issues.

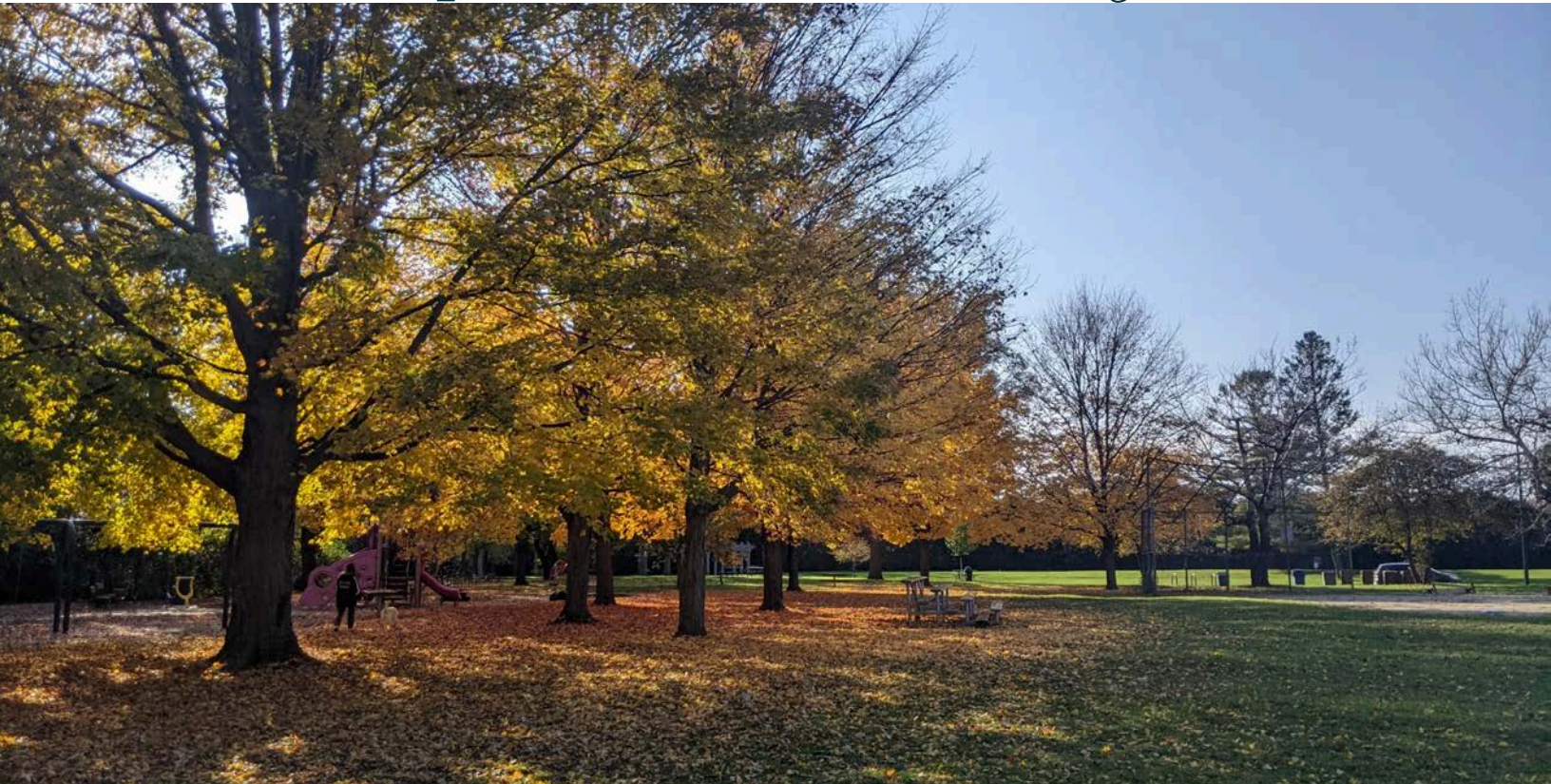


Amcor at Mary Beth Doyle Park

6/27/24: Amcor has been the adopter at Mary Beth Doyle Park for a few years now. They came out and helped weed the playground and pick up litter in the disc golf course and the areas around the wetland detention basin!



An Adoptable Park: *Frisinger Park*

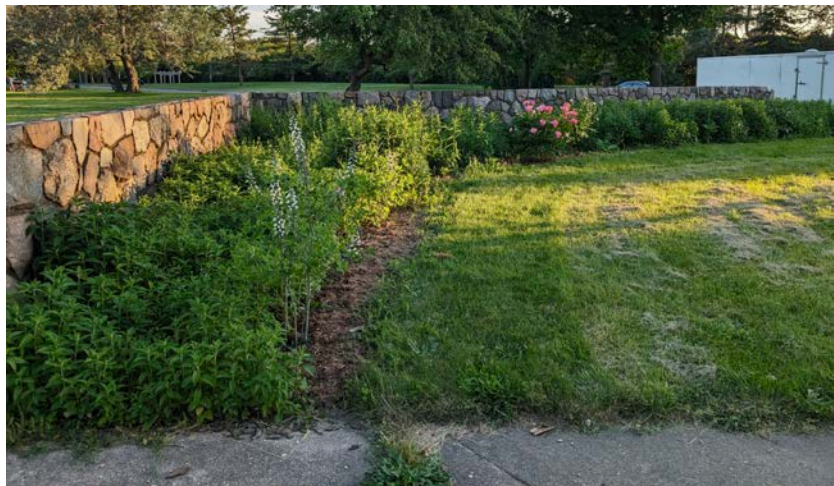
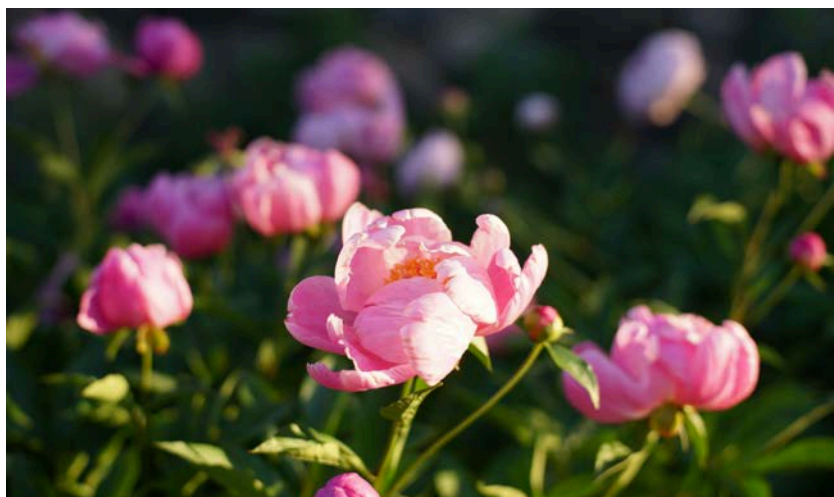


Frisinger Park is a large neighborhood park located off of Stadium Boulevard, a half mile east of Michigan Stadium.

This park has a playground, athletic fields and garden beds that need some care and attention. The gardens are a highlight of this park! Bordered by cobblestone walls, they create a dramatic entrance to the park from Stadium Boulevard. They feature some lovely peonies. Routine weeding is needed here, especially in the summer. There's an opportunity to get creative in picking some more plants to fill in around the peonies.

An individual or group with some gardening know-how and interest in more frequent visits to the park would be ideal, or neighbors who would like to be more involved in the care of their local park!

If you're interested in adopting this beautiful park, email adopt-a-park@a2gov.org!



Links



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