

HOW TO ORGANIZE A GRAFFITI CLEAN-UP



The City of Providence will assist communities in cleaning up graffiti in their neighborhood. We can provide a power-washer for larger surfaces one weekday before your clean-up. The City does not supply any other tools needed for clean-ups. Below you will find 7 easy steps for organizing a neighborhood graffiti clean-up. Please call the Mayor's Center for City Services (MCCS) with any questions by dialing **311**.

Select a clean-up time and date:

Weekends are a good time for a clean-ups, given volunteer availability. Please schedule your clean-up with the MCCS at least 3 weeks in advance.*
*always secure a rain date

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Reserve a power washer:

Call MCCS to book a power washer as early as possible. It will be available the weekday before your clean-up

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Have waivers signed:

When you call MCCS, they will ask for an address to send liability waivers to. This protects both you, and the City. Please have the owners of every property involved sign these waivers.

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Need additional help?

Ask the Crime Watch or other Community Organizations in the area to round up volunteers.

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Organize volunteers:

Call or visit neighbors and ask them to participate in the clean-up.

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Secure paint & tools:

Take inventory with volunteers. They may have tools and supplies. Sometimes local businesses are willing to donate supplies in exchange for abatement of graffiti on their property.

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Plan for refreshments:

Have water and other refreshments available for volunteers. Sometimes businesses in the area are also willing to donate these items.

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Celebrate your success!

Organize a neighborhood party to celebrate your successful graffiti clean-up! Feel free to invite local politicians and other Community Leaders. Publicity is a wonderful way to show neighboring areas that graffiti clean-ups are easy and a great way to show pride!