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Trash Bash to be held in Lafayette on Saturday, April 23

BATON ROUGE – Save the date! Lafayette’s annual Trash Bash event will be held from 8 a.m. until noon, Saturday, April 23. The event, postponed in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic, returns this year and organizers hope to get past volunteers as well as new ones to donate their time to improve the area’s aesthetics.

Hosted by Keep Lafayette Beautiful, the Environmental Quality Division of Lafayette Consolidated Government and the Bayou Vermilion District (BVD), the event brings together residents of all ages for participation in a litter pickup along parks, streets, and along Bayou Vermilion. Anyone is welcome to volunteer and there is no cost to participate.

The event will kick off at BVD’s Begnaud House, next to Beaver Park Pavilion, at 500 Fisher Road in Lafayette. Volunteers will receive a T-shirt, and can pick up gloves, litter bags, grabbers, and safety vests at the Begnaud House. Supplies can also be picked up ahead of time by calling the Recycling Office at (337) 291-5637. For your safety, please wear closed-toed shoes, apply sunscreen and bring water. Lunch and refreshments will be served following the event.

Volunteers can choose to clean up Bayou Vermilion or another location in Lafayette Parish. Bayou Vermilion volunteers can bring personal watercraft. Motorboats may launch at Beaver Park, while canoes and kayaks may launch at the dock near Vermilionville.

Keeping Lafayette and the Atchafalaya Basin litter free while engaging the community in litter reduction and watershed protection are important themes in the Trash Bash. Identifying the sources of pollution and informing the public on ways in which they can preserve their environment are a big part of Lafayette’s mission.

To sign-up, call the Recycling Office at (337) 291-5637 or email: recycling@lafayettela.gov

For more information, check out the event’s Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/278873787765205/?ref=newsfeed>