



ORGANIZE A DIY TRASH CLEANUP

Make a positive impact for your local rivers by removing trash before it enters the water. Below are some basic steps to organize your own cleanup.

1.

Pick a Cleanup Site

Scout a safe, accessible location that needs a cleanup—parks, trails, streets, or riverbanks. Check sourcetoseacleanup.org/cleanup-sites or ask your local DPW for recommendations.

2.

Set a Date & Invite Volunteers

Pick a date (plus a rain backup) and invite friends, family, or colleagues. Share event details with a flyer or create your own signup form.

3.

Gather Supplies & Plan Trash Disposal

Ask volunteers to bring gloves, trash grabbers, and separate bags or buckets for trash and recycling. Contact your DPW for free disposal or bulky item pickup.

4.

Hold Your Cleanup & Share Your Impact

Stay safe, have fun, and make sure all trash is removed. Separate your collected trash/recycling, and post photos on social media to inspire others! Be sure to tag @ctriverconservancy.

5.

Submit Your Trash Tally

As a final step in documentation, [submit your trashy tally](#). Your data helps us continue to advocate for trash solutions in the Connecticut River watershed and beyond!

Questions or success stories? Email cleanup@ctriver.org



Learn more about CRC's signature fall cleanup event at: [Sourcetoseacleanup.org](https://sourcetoseacleanup.org)



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