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LOCAL LITTER SWEEP EVENTS TAKING PLACE APRIL 29

NEWTON, NC – It's time again to help Keep Catawba County Beautiful as part of Litter Sweep, a statewide initiative organized twice a year by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Volunteers are invited to help beautify their communities by removing litter from our roadways at three different events in Newton, Conover, and Riverbend Park on Saturday, April 29.

The City of Newton's event takes place at Westside Jaycee Park, located on West J Street in Newton, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers may pick up supplies between 8:30-9:00 a.m., and lunch will be served. For more information or to register for this event, contact Alex Fulbright at (828) 695-4326.

The City of Conover's event will be held at Conover City Park, located at 361 5th Ave SE in Conover, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Volunteers are asked to meet at the park's shelter between 8:00-9:00 a.m. to pick up supplies. Prizes will be given for the most unusual litter collected, and lunch will be served. For more information or to register for this event, call Joy Heller at (828) 464-1191.

The Riverbend Park event takes place from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. courtesy of Catawba County. Volunteers are asked to bring gloves and meet in the park's parking lot, located at 6700 Hwy. 16 N in Conover. Lunch will be provided. For more information or to register for this event, call Lori Owenby at (828) 256-9157 or (828) 312-4834.

Volunteers can participate as individuals or organize as teams to assist with litter removal activities.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation's (DOT) statewide Spring Litter Sweep is held April 15-29, 2017. Interested parties may schedule other local cleanup drives by calling the local DOT office at (828) 468-6280.

Keep Catawba County Beautiful is the local chapter of Keep America Beautiful, Inc., a nonprofit organization promoting responsible behavior regarding littering, recycling, solid waste management and beautification. To learn more about the chapter and its activities, visit www.keepcatawbacountybeautiful.org or call Executive Director Amanda Kain at (828) 465-8217.

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