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1 Green Up Day is Saturday, May 2

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2 Volunteers will assemble statewide for annual Vermont
3 road clean-up tradition

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5 Green Up Day on Saturday, May 2, marks the 56th year
6 of a treasured Vermont tradition launched in 1970 by then-Gov.
7 Deane Davis.

8 Thousands of Vermonters are expected to come together
9 in communities throughout the state to clean up roadside litter
10 and tidy up public spaces to refresh Vermont’s naturally beautiful
11 landscape.

12 Brattleboro will host four locations on Green Up Day.
13 The traditional bright green heavy duty trash bags will be
14 available beforehand at the Brattleboro Regional Chamber of
15 Commerce (180 Main St.), Brown & Roberts (182 Main St.), and
16 Brooks Memorial Library (224 Main St.), and on May 2 at the
17 Brattleboro Food Co-op (2 Main St.).

18 Tables will be set up from 8 a.m. to noon at Turning Point
19 Recovery Center on Elm and Flat streets (contact Justin Johnson at
20 802-490-9525), M&T Bank (479 Canal St.), and Brattleboro
21 Subaru (1234 Putney Rd.), where coffee and doughnuts will be
22 available for volunteers.

23 On Thursday, April 30, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Burton
24 Touch Free Car Wash and Self Service (873 Putney Rd.) will hold
25 its 21st annual Car Wash Green-Up Benefit. All proceeds from
26 the car wash during that time, as well as donations, will be given
27 to Green Up of Windham County. Bags will be available for pick
28 up as well.

29 Below is contact information and other details about
30 volunteering in a sampling of towns around Windham County:

31 • **Athens** (Lynn Morgan, 802-869-2227 or
32 jelpmorgan@yahoo.com): Bags available at the Town Office (25
33 Brookline Rd.). Leave full bags along roadsides for pickup.

34 • **Brookline** (Vanessa Ballou, 802-365-4648 or
35 vballou.brooklinevt@gmail.com): Bags available at the Town
36 Office (734 Grassy Brook Rd.). Leave full bags along roadsides
37 for pickup.

38 • **Dover** (Lori O'Hern, 802-348-7810): Meet at Dover
39 School (9 Schoolhouse Rd., East Dover) at 9 a.m. for bags and
40 assignments. Lunch 11:30 a.m. to noon at the school. Leave bags
41 on roadsides or take to the dump.

42 • **Dummerston** (Mark Brown, 802-258-0832): Meet at 9
43 a.m. at the Dummerston Congregational Church (1535 Middle
44 Rd.). Bring a picnic lunch to eat on the Common.

45 • **Grafton** (Grafton Improvement Association,
46 giagrafton@vemontel.net): Bags can be picked up at the Town

47 Office (117 Main St.) and then brought to the Town Garage (21
48 Vt. Route 21). Ice cream for volunteers.

49 • Guilford (Jaime Durham and Jethro Eaton,
50 greenupguilford@gmail.com): Bags can be picked up the Town
51 Office (236 School Rd.). 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Full bags may be
52 brought there until 5 p.m. Separate tires and metal from
53 garbage. Ice cream for volunteers.

54 • Halifax (Patricia Dow; 802-368-7390 or
55 halifaxtownclerk@gmail.com or Jessica Cooney,
56 jac_trinity@yahoo.com): Bags available at Town Clerk's Office
57 (246 Branch Rd.) prior to Green Up Day, or 10 a.m. to noon at
58 the Halifax Elementary School (246 Branch Rd.) on Green Up
59 Day. Bring full bags back to the rear parking lot of the school.
60 Refreshments served.

61 • Jamaica (Pat Meulemans, 802-297-9886, or Sara
62 Wiswall, 802-874-4681): Bags available at the Town Office (28
63 Town Office Rd.) and Transfer Station (141 Castle Hill Rd.).
64 Bring full bags to the Transfer Station from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on
65 Green Up Day.

66 • Londonderry (Rich Phelan, 802-289-7859 or
67 rphela@aol.com): Bags available at M&T Bank, Clark's IGA, the
68 Town Office or the Transfer Station. Take full bags to town trucks
69 at Mill Parking Area, South Londonderry Fire Station, or the
70 Transfer Station.

71 • Marlboro (Julie Sweethill, 802-254-2181 or
72 juliesweethill@outlook.com; or Forrest Holzapfel,
73 townclerk@marlborovt.us): Bags available at Town Office (510
74 South Rd.) and Marlboro Elementary School (2669 Vt. Route 9).
75 Town map in glass case outside Town Office. Leave full bags
76 along roadsides.

77 • Newfane (Fiona Chavalier, creedenese@gmail.com;
78 Dani Brown, danikbrown26@gmail.com; or Luella Strainer,
79 luella.strattner@gmail.com): Bags available at Newfane Store
80 (596 VT Route 30) and Town Office (555 VT Route 30) during

81 **the week before Green Up Day. Leave full bags visible on**
82 **roadsides for pick up Monday morning.**

83 • **Putney** (Johnathan Johnson, 802-387-5862,
84 Clerk@putneyvt.org): A Putney town truck will be parked at the
85 usual spot next to Town Hall at 8 a.m. Bags will be available
86 there all day. Take only number of bags needed. Full bags go in
87 back of truck.

88 • **Rockingham/Bellows Falls/Saxtons River** (Margo Ghia,
89 **802-869-1214, mtghia@gmail.com**): Pick up bags in Bellows
90 Falls at Lisai's Market, the Rockingham Free Public Library, J&H
91 Hardware, or the Rockingham Town Clerk's office. In Saxtons
92 River, bags are available at the Village Market. Pizza at Athens
93 Pizza at noon for volunteers. Official Green Up bags can be left
94 tied up alongside Rockingham road sides or dropped off at the
95 Recycling Center in the special dumpster provided for Green Up
96 Day.

97 • **Stratton** (Candie Bernard, 802-896-6184,
98 cbernard@townofstrattonvt.com): Bags available at Town Office
99 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Refreshments served to volunteers at Town
100 Hall until noon. Leave bags along roadside but let the Town Hall
101 know if there are larger or hazardous items.

102 • **Townshend** (Heidi Russ, 802-365-7606): Bags
103 available at Town Clerk's office and Elementary School before
104 Green Up Day. On that day, bags will be available on the
105 Common, along with a cup of coffee and doughnuts during the
106 morning hours. Bring your bags of trash to the Townshend dump
107 for disposal.

108 • **Vernon** (Hannah Rosinski, 802-380-1513,
109 hpalmiter@gmail.com): Meet at Recreation Center Shelter at 9
110 a.m. Pick roads and go out. Refreshments and gloves provided.
111 Come back for lunch at noon. Leave full bags along roadsides.

112 • **Wardsboro** (Colleen and Emma Sklar, 802-380-0556,
113 colleenvt25@gmail.com): Road assignments and bag pick-up
114 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Town Office. Coffee, doughnuts, and
115 other goodies for volunteers. Volunteer appreciation gathering at

116 the Wardsboro Library at noon for pizza and a book giveaway.
117 “Green Up Day Challenge” sheets available at bag pickup. Bring
118 bags to the Wardsboro Transfer Station; do not leave on
119 roadsides.

120 • **Westminster** (Westminster Conservation Committee,
121 802-869-3184, westminstervtconservation@gmail.com): Bags
122 available at Town Hall and Westminster West Library. Leave large
123 items on roadside with Green Up bag attached for pickup
124 Monday.

125 • **Whitingham** (Susie Hanna, 415-734-6155,
126 susie@daisystonestudio.com): Meet at 9 a.m. at Town Hill Park
127 for road assignments and coffee and doughnuts. Barbecue lunch
128 by Lions Club with live music, face painting, and flower clowns.
129 Leave full bags on roadsides.

130 • **Wilmington (Bonnie Bohan,**
131 bonnie.bohan@gmail.com, or Anthony Martino, 508-314-2885
132 or apmartino329@gmail.com): Meet at Buzzy Towne Park, 9 to
133 11 a.m., to get bags and route assignments. The week following
134 Green Up Day, the town highway department will collect full
135 bags which are left along the roadside.

136 • **Windham** (Ellen McDuffie, 802-874-4211,
137 eflockwood@aol.com or windham.town@gmail.com): Meet at 9
138 a.m. at Town Office. Coffee and snacks for volunteers. Leave full
139 bags along roadsides.

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140 For safety, volunteers should wear bright colors and
141 sturdy shoes and gloves. Remember also that the ticks are active,
142 so tuck pants in socks, wear light colors, use tick spray, and do a
143 thorough tick check when you get home. For more information,
144 visit greenupvermont.org.

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