

Third Saturday Cleanup is back in town!



Volunteers with part of the 40 cubic yards of litter and trash dumps cleaned up from streets and creeks Sept. 24. Photo by Ed Shelden

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El Sobrante Green Team

After its solid showings in the El Sobrante Stroll and Parade as well as in National Cleanup month, the ES/94803 Green Team will return to its regularly scheduled, monthly "Third Saturday Cleanup" events starting October 15, staged from the ES Public Library, 4191 Appian Way. Volunteers, anyone?

The Green Team and SPAWNERS collaborated on our special 94803 'Coastal' cleanup September 24 and pulled almost 40 cubic yards of trash and litter out of local streets, creeks, and homeless encampments. With the help of the SOS! Richmond crew, we outperformed last year in our total haul!

Rain couldn't dampen our Green Team spirit.



Supervisor John Gioia dropped by the Sept. 24 event to show his support for our ongoing cleanup efforts. Go, Green Team!

Spirited Stroll Presence The ES Green Team is sponsored in part by the Chamber of Commerce, and so we made sure to have a strong presence at the Sept. 18 ES Stroll with a booth and lively contingent in the march. Our team showed up with vests, hats, drums, chants, banners, songs, and a precision trash-grabber drill team, calling out "What do we want? A clean El Sobrante! When do we want it? Now!", "We are volunteers, making litter disappear" and "Reduce, reuse, recycle – and do it again!"

Despite the unseasonal rain, we had a great outreach opportunity and used it to meet and greet, and give out our new cleanup postcard, colorful stickers and even a cute coloring book to engage children in our ongoing efforts. For more info, see our ever-helpful website, www.KeepElSobranteBeautiful.info.

