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City of LaGrange to Shut Down Half Day Friday, April 19th to Pick Up Litter Throughout the City Community Invited to Participate

LaGrange, Ga. April 15, 2024 – The City of LaGrange plans to shut down business on Friday, April 19th from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Hundreds of city employees will be going out into the community's main thoroughfares to pick up litter.



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This litter clean-up campaign began in April 2018 hoping to send a message to the community that the City of LaGrange is serious about cleaning up the community and wants to lead by example. The April

2018 event was so well-received by employees, citizens, and elected leaders, that the city began hosting monthly cleanups throughout the city. Since 2018, the city is proud to have partnered with many different community groups, businesses, schools, colleges, and individuals in leaving LaGrange better than we found it. The slogan was inspired by the comments by District 2 City Councilmember Nathan Gaskin who said in a city council meeting, "My mom told me to leave things better than I found it."

On Friday, April 19th community members and area businesses are invited to join us in cleaning up our community. You can show up Friday at 8:00 a.m. in front of LaGrange City Hall, 200 Ridley Avenue in LaGrange. The City of LaGrange is excited to partner with **West Georgia Technical College**, the **LaGrange Lion's Club**, and the LaGrange-Troup **County Chamber of Commerce** for this year's event. Everyone is welcome to join. We will have a quick ceremony in front of city hall and then leave from that location to pick up litter in the area.

After the cleanup, city employees and volunteers are invited back to Sweetland Amphitheatre to have lunch before going back to work at 1:00 p.m. City offices will open at 1:00 p.m.

The City of LaGrange will be broadcasting live with the morning ceremony on its Facebook page <u>www.facebook.com/lagrangegagov.</u>

If you have any questions about the City's litter cleanup initiative, please contact Parks Director Michael Coniglio at <u>mconiglio@lagrangega.org.</u>

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