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## **Dozens of City of LaGrange Employees and Community Members Participate in Litter Clean Up**

*LaGrange, Ga. June 11, 2018* – Dozens of City of LaGrange employees and community members participated in the city’s litter clean up event Saturday.

The group, including City Councilman Nathan Gaskin and City Manager Meg Kelsey, picked up trash starting at Berta Weathersbee School on Forrest Avenue through 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to the Callaway Clock Tower.



*Roughly 40 people participated in Saturday’s litter pick up event including City Councilmember Nathan Gaskin and City Manager Meg Kelsey*

This event was a voluntary event for City of LaGrange employees. The

City of LaGrange plans to hold monthly litter pick up events with its employees.

In April, City Manager Meg Kelsey wanted to send a message to the community that the City of LaGrange is serious about cleaning up litter and rolled out the city's campaign, "Leaving LaGrange Better Than We Found It."

The City of LaGrange closed non-essential business the morning of April 20<sup>th</sup> and more than four hundred employees picked up trash throughout the community.

"As employees of the city, we have an opportunity to do something about it," said Kelsey.

"We need to create a sense of responsibility and ownership for roadways and other public areas. City staff has the opportunity to send a new message to our citizens and visitors."



*City Employees will have monthly litter clean up events*

While April's event was mandatory, the monthly litter pick up events will be voluntary. Family, friends, and the public are all welcome to participate.

LaGrange Mayor Jim Thornton, Troup County Commission Chairman Patrick Crews, West Point Mayor Steve Tramell, Hogansville Mayor Bill

Stankiewicz, along with Troup County's Keep Troup Beautiful are all joining forces to help clean up the litter in the community.

If you would like to have a litter clean up in your neighborhood contact Scott Landa with Keep Troup Beautiful. For more information go to [www.keeptroupbeautiful.com](http://www.keeptroupbeautiful.com) or call (706) 884-9922.

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