OVE THE BOOT Week

KEEP LOUISIANA BEAUTIFUL



2022 IMPACT REPORT





A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

Dear Louisiana,

Love the Boot Week has been in the making for several years now and it has been absolutely amazing to see it take off and be embraced by so many people across the state. While we have a long road ahead of us to achieving a clean Louisiana, we have taken the first step and we should be proud of all that we accomplished over the course of just seven days.

During Love the Boot Week, I felt the tide changing. Thousands of volunteers and participants across the state said enough is enough, picked up their gloves, grabbers, and bags, and set out to clean up their communities. Participation was remarkable, with 84% of parishes involved and 8,476 people dedicating 40,007 hours to clean up and beautification efforts.



What warmed my heart the most was seeing families cleaning up their neighborhoods. Teaching the next generation the importance of preventing litter and advocating for the environment is crucial.

For too long, litter has spread across Sportsman's Paradise, damaging our communities and our quality of life. We must continue to speak up and act so that our children can grow up in a place that is beautiful and litter-free.

Thank you all for making Love the Boot Week so successful. Let's keep the momentum going and work together to clean up Louisiana.

Sincerely,

Susan Russell Executive Director

About Keep Louisiana Beautiful

Keep Louisiana Beautiful brings people together to build and sustain vibrant, clean communities. Through our programs and a statewide network of Affiliates, we provide tools and resources to prevent litter, reduce waste, increase recycling, and protect natural resources. Our mission is to promote personal, corporate, and community responsibility for a clean and beautiful Louisiana.



WHY LOVE THE BOOT?

Love the Boot Week was created to bring awareness to Louisiana's litter problem. The action-oriented campaign focuses on empowering people to take pride in their state and do their part to clean up and beautify their communities. Here are a few reasons why we should Love the Boot:

Litter is Harmful

Litter is harmful to Louisiana's wildlife, but it also poses danger to our residents and quality of life. Litter creates potential road hazards. It clogs drainage systems, which contribute to flooding. It can also create a breeding ground for mosquitos.

Litter is Costly

In Louisiana, an estimated \$40 million in taxpayer dollars are spent each year on litter removal, abatement, education, and enforcement. Economic development and tourism suffer when business goes elsewhere due to unsightly litter.

81% of litter is intentional, but 100% preventable...

YOUR IMPACT



registered cleanup and beautification events in 54 Parishes

16 families

35 schools

8,476

83 local & state governments

146
businesses
& organizations

reported volunteers & participants

40,007

hours dedicated to cleaning up Louisiana

\$1.45 mil

estimated value of volunteer hours



293 tons of litter removed

What does that equate to?

One Boeing 747 or

Two Blue Whales or

12 fire trucks or

20 cruise ship anchors or

293 Liberty Bells





671 plants planted



58gardens
refurbished

Most Littered Items

plastic bottles, paper, cans, cigarette butts, fast food packaging, glass bottles, styrofoam, plastic bags



REACH

1,734,354 impressions

242,902 engagements

Keep Louisiana Beautiful Social Media Ad Campaign April 1 - May 9, 2022



#LOVETHEBOOT



50,832 website pageviews

February - April 2022

\$136,423

ad value of earned media coverage

February - April 2022

14.75 mil

reach of earned media coverage

February - April 2022

Love the Boot Week encourages you to Keep Louisiana Beautiful

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Thank you LOUISIANA

















PARTICIPANTS

Businesses & Organizations

Abbeville Garden Club

Alter Ego Steppers

ASR Group

Assumption ARC

Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell

Baton Rouge Area Chamber

Bayou Crab & Attakapas Landing

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana

Bear Athletic Club

Briarwood Nature Preserve

Brown Builders

Caddo Outdoor Ed Program, L3C

Concordia Parish Youth Group

Cornerstone Chemical Company

Covington Garden Club

Ethan Jeffus

Eunice Bulb & Blossom Garden Club

ExxonMobil

Ezekiel's Christian Ministries

FIFOLET Candle Makers & Tours by Steven

Fifth Ward Community Center

First United Methodist Church

Forum 225

Foulcard's Insurance

Friends of Bayou St. John

Friends of Joe W. Brown Park

Friends of South Bossier

Good Hope Baptist Church

Goodwood Property Owners Association

Greater New Orleans East Business Alliance

Greater Treme Consortium, Inc

Greenville Ext & Eden Park Community Group

H.O.N.O.R. Foundation

Haynesville Beautification

House of Hope Empowerment Center

I Dig It, LLC

Junior League of New Orleans

Keep Abbeville Beautiful

Keep Abita Beautiful

Keep Ascension Beautiful

Keep Assumption Beautiful

Keep Baton Rouge Beautiful

Keep Bossier Beautiful

Keep Calcasieu Beautiful

Keep Central Beautiful

Keep Covington Beautiful

Keep DeRidder Beautifull

Keep DeSoto Beautiful

Keep East Feliciana Beautiful

Keep Eunice Beautiful

Keep Greater Lake Charles Beautiful

Keep Hammond Beautiful

Keep Jefferson Parish Beautiful

Keep Lacombe Beautiful

Keep Lafayette Beautiful

Keep Livingston Beautiful

Keep Louisiana Beautiful

Keep Madisonville Beautiful

Keep Mandeville Beautiful

Keep Monroe Beautiful

Keep Morehouse Beautiful

Keep New Orleans Beautiful

Keep Slidell Beautiful

Keep St. James Parish Beautiful

Keep St. Mary Beautiful

Keep St. Tammany Beautiful

Keep St. John Beautiful

Keep Tangipahoa Beautiful

Keep Terrebonne Beautiful

Recp Terreboline Beautiful

Keep Tigertown Beautiful

Keep Union Beautiful

Keep West Baton Rouge Beautiful

Keep West Feliciana Beautiful

Keep West Monroe Beautiful

LA Pro

LAYAYA

Lecompte Garden Club

Lemon Tree Recycling Services

Loreauville Community Project

Louisiana Clean Fuels

Louisiana Stormwater Coalition

Mayors Youth Council

Mill Creek Reservoir

Moncla Community Center

& Moncla Nursery

Morganza Cultural District

Move Bunkie Forward

New Iberia Garden Club

New Orleans & Company New Orleans City Park

New Orleans East Matters Coalition

Nonpareil Chapter BR

Top Ladies of Distinction

North Delta Regional Planning

& Development District

North Kenilworth Improvement

& Security District

North Louisiana Economic Partnership

Northshore Jewish Congregation

Ochsner Health

Omega Psi Phi

Ouachita Green

Pelican Coast Parrot Head Club

Pennington Biomedical Research Center

Phi Beta Sigma

Plains Marketing

Pontchartrain Conservancy

Quinn Court & Louisa Landing Developments

Red Six Media

Republican Women of Louisiana

Rockin' Rutherford Group, Inc

Sabine Parish Leaders Against Litter

Shady Oaks Garden Club

Shreveport Green

St. Martinville Chamber of Commerce

St. Martinville Garden Club

St. James Episcopal Church

St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church

The Acosta Foundation

The Descendants Project

The Junior League of Leesville

The Louie Bear Project, Inc.

The Reids LLC

VFW Post 4588

VIET

Village de L'Est Improvement Association

Visit Lake Charles

We Grow Together! Coalition

WHO DAT BarberShop, Inc

YMCA of the Capital Area





PARTICIPANTS



Government

Acadia Parish Tourist Commission Allen Correctional Center Audubon State Historic Site Bayou Vermilion District Bogalusa District A Bossier Chamber Diplomats Bossier City Councilman Chris Smith Bossier Sheriff's Office City of Alexandria City of Bastrop City of DeRidder City of Eunice City of Franklin City of Natchitoches City of New Roads City of Patterson City of Plaquemine City of Ruston City of Springhill Main Street Program City of Youngsville Columbia Main Street Concordia Parish Library

CPRA
David Wade Correctional Center
District 4 Constable Office
Division of Probation and Parole
Dixon Correctional Institute
Donaldsonville Area Chamber of Commerce
DOTD & District Offices
Downtown Ponchatoula Revitalization Program

Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana

Elayn Hunt Correctional Center Franklin Historic Design Committee -

Main Street America

LA Department of Natural Resources Lafayette Consolidated Government LDEQ - Acadiana Regional Office

LDEQ Headquarters

LDEQ- Southwest Regional Office

Lincoln Parish

Longfellow-Evangeline SHS

Louisiana Correctional Institute for Women LDEQ, Kisatchie Central Regional Office

Louisiana Department of Public Safety & Corrections

Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Louisiana Office of State Parks Office of Governor John Bel Edwards

& First Lady Donna Edwards Office of Lieutenant Governor

Billy Nungesser

Pointe Coupee Parish Government Pointe Coupee Parish Sheriff's Office Rayburn Correctional Center Raymond Laborde Correctional Center

St. John the Baptist Parish

St. Martin Parish Library

St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office

St. Tammany Parish Tourist

& Convention Commission State Senator Patrick Connick

Thibodaux Main Street

Town of Amite City

Town of Campti

Town of Chatham

Town of Columbia

Town of Delhi

Town of Dubach

Town of Franklinton

Town of Glenmora

Town of Homer

Town of Lake Providence

Town of Many

Town of Marion

Town of Waterproof

Town of White Castle

Village of Choudrant

Village of Hosston

Village of Ida

Village of Stanley

Village of Tangipahoa



Schools

4-H Youth Development LSU AgCenter Assumption High School ROTC Assumption High School Student Council Baton Rouge Community College Foundation

Berwick High School Beta Club Bolton High School Bossier Parish Community College SGA Central Catholic High School Dillard University Eunice High School Franklin High School Beta Club Franklin Jr. High School 4-H Club Franklin Junior High School Geaux Green-Louisiana State University Grambling Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. Jumpstart Child Development Center Kinder Haus Montessori Lake Harbor Middle School Louisiana State University Louisiana Tech University SGA Loyola University New Orleans LSU Veterinary Medicine McNeese State University Morgan City High School Nicholls State University North Desoto High School JROTC Northwestern State University of Louisiana Rapides High School JAG Scotlandville Pre-Engineering Magnet Academy St. Edmund High School Stewart's of Sustainability Tulane University University of Louisiana at Lafayette Office of Sustainability University of New Orleans Wyandotte Elementary BETA Xavier University of Louisiana XULAGreen - Xavier University

Families

Office of Sustainability

Alsen Heights Community Leaders Bayou L'Ourse Community Eustis Fam Cleans the Neighborhood Fairview Neighbors Families of Metairie Heights Avenue Fountainbleau Estates Homeowners Assoc. Labadieville Community Lake Willow Homeowners Association Lakeview Clean-Up Krewe LP Litter Krewe Mid-City Neighborhood Organization Roy Crew Talbot Street Neighborhood Villages of Sorrel W. Sallier Street Residents Zenon- McCray

What comes next?

Here are a few ways you can Love the Boot all year long!

Become a member of Keep Louisiana Beautiful.

By becoming a member of Keep Louisiana Beautiful, you support our mission to improve communities and transform public spaces. Learn about our various levels of membership at keeplouisianabeautiful.org.

Organize a cleanup or volunteer.

While Love the Boot Week has concluded, you can Love the Boot all year long by participating in cleanup and beautification events. Organize one of your own or find one happening near you. We must be diligent and remove litter to achieve a clean Louisiana.

Take the fourth Saturday cleanup pledge.

Governor John Bel Edwards has declared the fourth Saturday of every month in 2022 Love the Boot Day. Take the pledge at lovetheboot.org to clean up an area in your community every month. Make sure to complete cleanup reports and share how much litter you removed.

When you see litter, pick it up.

As you are walking in your neighborhood or in the park, pick up litter and dispose of it properly in a receptacle. By picking up a straw or food wrapper, you can prevent the demise of fish and wildlife.

Read a book from "Rocksey's Reading List."

Teach kids the importance of being a friend to the environment by visiting your local library and checking out a book from "Rocksey's Reading List." Rocksey, Keep Louisiana Beautiful's mascot, encourages kids to reduce, reuse, and recycle. Read with Rocksey by visiting keeplouisianabeautiful.org/readwithrocksey.



Stay committed to cleaning up Louisiana! For litter prevention tips, visit letlouisianashine.org.

Thank You 2022 Supporters







Love the Boot Week is April 17-23, 2023!



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