

## SAFETY TIPS

# LitterBlitz

Share these brief safety tips with volunteers to ensure a positive and safe clean up event!

- Keep a buddy system at all times! Stay in groups of at least two people.
- Do not walk in streets and be aware of traffic when crossing roadsides. If hosting an event along a roadside, safety vests should be worn by volunteers.
- Stay hydrated!! If you start feeling worn out or tired, make sure to take a break.
- Do not pick up broken glass. Not only could it cut you, it will tear through your bags.
- When cleaning up litter in rocky areas or in difficult terrain, make sure you have solid footing when traversing rocky spaces.
- Minors should be supervised or paired with an adult at all times.



Volunteers  
must sign  
this waiver  
online. 





# Talking points for coordinators!

## Here are a few fun facts you can share with your volunteers.

- Volunteers have picked up trash with OKC Beautiful since 1962! You are joining this awesome group of environmental stewards!
- In 2023, 5,000 volunteers and 250 community groups picked up more than 125,000 pounds of trash through LitterBlitz.

Pay attention to the types of trash and materials you collect today. There is often a lot of single-use and disposable items like plastic bottles and styrofoam cups. These are items that can be prevented by us switching to reusable materials instead!
- Litter negatively impacts wildlife, pollutes water and soil, and damages the appearance of our public spaces.
- Picking up trash improves quality of life and civic pride, promotes economic development, and saves tax dollars.
- The presence of litter in a community has been proven to decrease property values by 7%.
- Want to coordinate your own event with another group? It could be a club, family, coworkers, or friends. OKC Beautiful will provide you supplies and the resources you need. Visit [okcbeautiful.com](https://okcbeautiful.com).

Have any issues or questions?

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