

City of Fall River Massachusetts

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City Announces Winners of Clean-Up Competition

(Fall River, MA- September 2nd, 2020)- Mayor Paul Coogan is pleased to announce the winners of Fall River's Clean-Up Contest, which ran from August 13th to August 27th. During this period of time, 12 groups planned and executed their own clean-up efforts across the City. These clean-ups ranged in group size, area size and location in the City- with clean-ups done around Weaver St in the North End, North Rocliffee St and Jencks St in the Flint, Elsbree St near Durfee High School and multiple spots on Plymouth Avenue in the South End. Some groups chose to clean our parks- including Father Kelly Park, Ruggles and Lafayette.

The winners of the contest are as follows:

First Place- **Green Environment Landscaping Corporation** for over 96 hours of time invested between three people on improving the Weaver St area. Green Environment Landscaping not only cleared 5 truckloads of debris from the area, but used their tools to tame overgrowth and transform the area.

Second Place- Five members of the **Mount Hope Masonic Lodge** for an intense cleaning of Lafayette Park that included cleaning a former homeless encampment from the wooded area of the park.

Third Place- **The Corky Row Neighborhood Association** and their **New Leaf Green Team**, who put on an incredibly thorough clean-up of Hartwell Street.

Mayor Coogan expressed his deep gratitude towards all who joined in. "This contest represents the pride and dedication that Fall River residents feel towards our city," Mayor Coogan stated. "By joining the Clean-Up Competition, these groups have shown that we can all do our part, large or small, to keep our streets clean and beautiful. It doesn't need to take all day, but cleaning up every so often with your friends, family, coworkers or a community group can make cleaning up a whole lot more fun."

Thank you to our other participants, including:

- Fall River Unified
- The Fall River YMCA
- Blessed Trinity Church
- Water's Church
- Sunnyside Dispensary