









KEEP ATLANTA BEAUTIFUL

2014 second quarter report

Community Recycling and Cleanups

In the second quarter of 2014, Keep Atlanta Beautiful recycled 45,813 lbs. of electronics, 948 lbs. of Styrofoam, 2,107 gallons of latex paint, 22,150 lbs. of shredded paper, 6,780 lbs. of single-stream materials, 3,681 lbs. of metals, 899 lbs. of textiles (two months) and served 1,965 vehicles (visitors) at our Community Recycling Centers (CRCs), and provided cleanup and graffiti removal supplies for 1395 volunteers at 20 community cleanups. If you are organizing a community cleanup and need supplies, please contact us at 404.249.5853 or info@KeepAtlantaBeautiful.org.

Earth Day on the Atlanta BeltLine

On April 19, Atlanta BeltLine, Inc., the Atlanta BeltLine Partnership, Park Pride, Trees Atlanta, the Atlanta Community Tool Bank, Keep Atlanta Beautiful, and neighborhood partners gathered to celebrate Earth Day on the ATL BeltLine. Although we had more than 200 volunteer registrations, the rain and mud kept many home. But we had 60 dedicated volunteers who braved the elements to clear invasive bamboo and debris along the Northeast Hiking Trail. City Councilmember Alex Wan (pictured above with friends) sponsored coffee and bagels for the volunteers. Many thanks to all who participated!

City of Atlanta Joins CRCs

We are pleased to announce that the City of Atlanta now provides single stream (fully commingled) recycling services at our Community Recycling events, as of April 12. This welcome addition has enabled us to expand single-stream recycling to include glass, which was previously unacceptable. Accepted Single-Stream Recyclables: Paper products except paper towels or tissues, clean bottles and jars with lids removed, aluminum, steel (tin) cans, aerosol cans, plastic food containers and bottles 1 – 7, and cardboard.

New! Textile Recycling

As reported in QI, <u>USAgain</u> joined KAtlB as a recycling partner in May, offering textile recycling to our communities. The activities of USAgain are focused on increasing the amount of clothes, shoes and household textiles diverted from waste in the U.S. for the benefit of rewear, reuse and recycling everywhere. Acceptable Textile Recyclables: Clothing and footwear of all styles and sizes, household textiles (linens, towels, etc.) and accessories (belts, hats, scarves, backpacks, etc.). <u>Visit our website</u> for more information.

Renaissance Park Dog Park

Friends of Central and Renaissance Parks received a Community Building Grant from Park Pride to build an off-leash dog park in Renaissance Park, a small passive park bordered by Piedmont Avenue and Pine Streets on the western border of the Old Fourth Ward. The dog park project also received support from the Fourth Ward West Neighborhood Association, surrounding condo associations, the Parks Dept., and Councilmember Kwanza Hall. The objective was to encourage an increase in positive use of the park, to allow residents to congregate and exercise their pets in a safe environment and add a much-needed amenity to a densely populated residential area. What developed out of a little used green space were separate areas for large and small dogs equipped with water fountains and dog waste stations. Click here to read the article in Atlanta Magazine.

Community Appearance – Litter Index

KAtlB has completed the 2014 Community Appearance Index, including litter, illegal signs, graffiti, abandoned/junk vehicles and outside storage. The results of the Index are intended to help quickly and reliably assess the litter situation in our City and to assist us in achieving long-term, sustainable results with litter abatement programs. Click here to read the full report.

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