

29TH ANNUAL CLEAN YOUR STREAMS SEPTEMBER 27, 2025



Partners
for
Clean
Streams



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29th Annual Clean Your Streams

Partners for Clean Streams (PCS) and community partners hosted the 29th Annual Clean Your Streams Day on Saturday, September 27, 2025. For the sixth year, volunteers also had the option to participate in a Remote Kickoff, cleaning a waterway site at a time and location of their choosing.

Across both the in-person and remote kickoffs, 759 volunteers removed 11,001 pounds of trash from 61 sites along more than 50 river miles of Northwest Ohio's rivers, streams, creeks, and ditches.

What is Clean Your Streams?

Clean Your Streams (CYS) is a watershed cleanup program where volunteers remove trash and record citizen science data on the items they collect. CYS is the largest cleanup in Ohio that contributes marine debris data to the International Coastal Cleanup (ICC) database. Volunteers impact watersheds across our region, including the Ottawa River, Swan Creek, Maumee River, and Maumee Bay tributaries. Over the past 29 years of CYS, more than 17,639 volunteers have removed 418,776 pounds of marine debris.

CYS 29 Sponsors

Grant Funder: Greater Toledo Community Foundation, Rotary Club of Toledo, Ohio EPA, ODNR, H2Ohio

Community Partner: Lucas County Storm Water Utility

Affiliates: The Andersons, Cenovus, First Solar, University of Toledo

Underwriters: City of Toledo, City of Oregon, Jones & Henry Engineers

Contributors: Toledo Mindfulness Institute, OmniSource, Verdantas, Civil & Environmental Consultants, NSG Group

Supporters: The Mannik & Smith Group, Monroe St. UMC, Oak Openings Region Conservancy, Perrysburg Rotary Community Foundation, Metroparks Toledo, City of Perrysburg



Results by Kickoff

	Volunteers	Sites	Pounds of marine debris
Side Cut Metropark Kickoff	164	16	3,899
Perrysburg Kickoff	70	10	732
Monroe St. UMC Kickoff	69	6	1,126
Glass City Metropark Kickoff	60	6	1,402
University of Toledo Kickoff	24	2	800
Remote Kickoff	86	8	534
Oregon Kickoff	140	7	920
Toledo Early College Kickoff	101	2	988
Westwinds Metropark Kickoff	45	4	600

Total.....

759 61 11001

Strange Items Found

An open coconut filled with fishing line, broken toilet, BB gun, 1/2 of a picnic table, rental electric scooter, rocking chair, bowling ball, over 2000 fireworks pieces at former BG Golf Course

Challenge Awards

Youth Challenge Awards

Most Volunteers

- 1 Toledo Early College High School
- 2 Troop 66/9066
- 3 Whitmer Environmental Science Club

Awesome Effort

- 1 Troop 66/9066
- 2 Whitmer Environmental Science Club
- 3 Troop 57

Battle of the Bags

- 1 Troop 66/9066
- 2 Toledo Early College High School
- 3 Whitmer Environmental Science Club

River Partner Certification

Watershed Warrior (50+ volunteers)
Northwood Pack 244

Stream Protector (10-29 volunteers)

Oregon Clay
Verdantas
Sister of St. Francis/Lourdes
Monroe Street UMC
Owens Illinois

Creek Crusader (1-9 volunteers)

Cenovus Toledo Refinery
Venturing Crew 352
First Solar

About Partners for Clean Streams

PCS is a Northwest Ohio-based nonprofit working with local and state governments, schools, civic organizations, and other community groups to deliver a wide range of programs, projects, and outreach efforts to keep our water clean, clear, and safe. To learn more, visit us at PartnersForCleanStreams.org and follow @PCSMaumee on social media.