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Youth Advisory Committee Launches Park Clean Up Initiative



PERRIS, Calif. (December 13, 2019) -- The Perris Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) joined forces with adult volunteers and city staff members to participate in the first installment of a series of park clean up events on Saturday, December 7, 2019 at Foss Field.

The YAC was motivated to begin this series to keep the parks within the City clean. Their goals were to start and sustain park cleanups, beginning with Foss Field.

Council Member Malcolm Corona participated in the first clean up and was very pleased with the turn out of more than 50 YAC members and volunteers who helped clean up 17 bags of trash from Foss Field.



"I am impressed with our turn out from the youth and the adults to clean up our parks," said Corona. "It also frees up our Public Works crews during the week to focus on other areas within the City. A special thanks to our Youth Advisory Committee for taking this initiative.

While picking up trash and debris are on the list of activities for the events, more thorough action is involved, including cleaning out bushes, clearing drainage gutters and removing and with the help of the City's Public Works staff, even doing some light power washing of building facilities.



Ashley Lopez, 17 and a senior at the California Military Institute, is the president of the YAC and wanted to start this project to keep the city parks clean.

"We just want to do our part," said Lopez. "We want to help wherever we can."



Each month, the YAC will conduct a park cleanup. Moving forward, clean ups will be on the second Thursday of each month from 4 p.m. - 5 p.m., with Copper Creek Park, Paragon Park, Goetz Field and Metz Park on the horizon.

For more information on how you can be involved in the YAC or in future park clean up events, please contact the Community Services Department at 951-943-6100.

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