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CITY OF CHICO ANNOUNCES 4TH ANNUAL CHICO SPRING CLEAN DAY

CHICO, CA -- (April 1, 2024) -- The 2024 Chico Spring Clean Day will be held on Earth Day weekend, Saturday, April 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at Hooker Oak Park.

Anyone who wants to join the effort including individuals, schools, businesses, and organizations are invited to help make Chico shine by picking up litter from parks, streets, bike paths, school campuses, waterways, and even empty fields.

To participate, volunteers may sign up for designated community sections, such as areas of Bidwell Park or downtown Chico, or they may clean up in their own neighborhood. There is a sign-up form available at <u>https://chico.ca.us</u> for individuals and groups who want to sign up.

Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt while supplies last.

Clean up supplies such as trash bags and litter grabbers will be provided and available for pick up at the Chico Spring Clean Day Headquarters at Hooker Oak Park, 1928 Manzanita Avenue, starting at 8:30 a.m. the day of the event. Debris boxes will be available to drop off refuse at Hooker Oak Park.

"As we come together for Chico Spring Clean Day, let's show the strength of our community spirit and commitment to keeping Chico beautiful. Every volunteer's effort makes a difference in preserving our parks and enhancing our neighborhoods. Thank you to everyone who joins us in this important initiative," said Mayor Andrew Coolidge.

The Chico Police Officers Association (CPOA) will be hosting a FREE lunch for Spring Clean Day volunteers. The CPOA will be cooking a community appreciation BBQ to thank volunteers for their efforts at Hooker Oak Park beginning at 11:30 a.m.

"The Chico Police Officers' Association (CPOA) is honored to participate in the city's Spring Clean Day festivities once again," said CPOA President, Tyler Rainey. "The CPOA's members are committed to serving not only in protecting our community but also in enhancing its beauty and well-being. We are happy to support the dedicated volunteers by providing them a delicious lunch." For additional questions or media inquiries, please contact Shane Romain, Assistant Park and Natural Resources Manager at (530) 896-7831 or by email at shane.romain@chicoca.gov.

Located in Butte County, California, Chico is the cultural and economic center of the northern Sacramento Valley and the largest city north of Sacramento. Known as a college town, the home of California State University, Chico and for Bidwell Park, one of the largest urban parks in the world. For more information, visit www.chico.ca.us.

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