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MEDIA ALERT

CITY OF CHICO ANNOUNCES CHICO SPRING CLEAN DAY 2023 ON EARTH DAY

Chico, CA - (March 28, 2023) - The 2023 Chico Spring Clean Day will be held on Earth Day, Saturday, April 22nd from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at Hooker Oak Park.

"For the past two years, Chico residents have shown their pride in our community by participating in Chico Spring Clean," said City Manager, Mark Sorensen. "This year, on Earth Day, April 22nd, we will once again be coming together to help make our community shine. Volunteers are encouraged to join neighbors, local business organizations, and other community members to ensure the beauty of Chico remains."

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/chico-spring-clean-day</u>.

Clean up supplies such as trash bags and litter grabbers will be 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 and the Fred Davis Municipal Center (City Hall) parking lot located at 411 Main Street.

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.

CPOA president, Tyler Rainey said, "As members of the Chico Police Officers Association, it is important to participate in community events such as Spring Clean Day. Providing lunch is our way of showing support and appreciation for the hard work of our community members who dedicate their time and effort to improving our neighborhoods."

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 sign up, please go to <u>https://chico.ca.us/chico-spring-clean-day</u> or email <u>shane.romain@chicoca.gov</u> by April 14, 2023. Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt while supplies last.

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 <u>www.chico.ca.us</u>.

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