



N.J. Clean Communities Council Monroe Township

A statewide, comprehensive, litter abatement program serving
New Jersey residents and visitors for over 25 years

Overview

New Jersey Clean Communities is a statewide, comprehensive, litter-abatement program created by the passage of the Clean Communities Act in 1986. The Act provides a funding source for the program and guidelines for the use of funds. Municipalities and counties receive Clean Communities grants in the form of state-aid each year. Funding is also allocated to the state parks service and the Clean Communities Council.



Our mission is to reduce litter on public places, promote the volunteer cleanup of public lands and sustain a reduction in litter through education.

The New Jersey Clean Communities Council, Inc. is the 501c3 nonprofit that works closely with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Department of Treasury to administer the Clean Communities program.

New Jersey Clean Communities is also home to New Jersey's Adopt-A-Beach and Adopt-A-Highway programs.

History

1986 – Clean Communities Act was passed.

1989 – New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection released a statewide, visual Litter Survey.

1995 – Clean Communities Act was amended to change the disbursement of Clean Communities funds from grants to state-aid; eliminate program administration and oversight provided by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; and increase funding for the state parks service.

1995 – Clean Communities Advisory Committee received status as a 501c3 nonprofit corporation; and became the New Jersey Clean Communities Council, Inc.

2000 – Clean Communities Act was allowed to sunset.

2002 – Clean Communities Act was passed again; the Act appropriated \$4 million to the State Recycling Fund from the State Clean Communities Program Fund to fund the state recycling program in the absence of enabling legislation. The Act also provided funding for a nonprofit solely dedicated to litter abatement education to administer the program. Funding was disbursed to the New Jersey Clean Communities Council, Inc. The Clean Communities Council set up an office in Trenton and hired its first Executive Director.

2004 – Clean Communities Council released a statewide, visual Litter Survey; and began to implement the plan-of-action recommended by the Litter Survey.

2006 – Clean Communities Council distributed the first Best Practices in Clean Communities CD.

2008 – The Recycling Enhancement Act was passed. The Act provided a mechanism for funding for the State Recycling Program, increased the State Clean Communities Program Fund by \$4 million, and increased funding for the Clean Communities Council to conduct a media campaign that would sustain a reduction in litter.

2009 – Clean Communities Council launched the Slam Dunk the Junk media campaign.

2011 – Clean Communities Council assumed responsibility for New Jersey's Adopt-A-Beach program.

2012 – Clean Communities Council partnered with the New Jersey Department of Transportation to resurrect the volunteer Adopt-A-Highway program.

YOUR GROUP COULD EARN \$500.00



from Monroe Twp. Clean Communities for a 3 hour clean-up

Contact Wayne Horbatt, Clean Communities
Coordinator for details and 732-656-4575 or
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Monroe Township Clean Team



Looking for volunteers, individuals, groups, teams etc.

Contact Joe Slomian at Monroe Twp. Public Works

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