

# 2013 Great American Cleanup of PA Summary Results

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## Summary

The following statistics reflect results from the 2013 Great American Cleanup of PA (GACPA) activities reported to Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful (KPB) and PennDOT through June 15, 2013. All related activities were events registered with KPB during March, April, and May 2013 or through PennDOT's Adopt-A-Highway Program (AAH).

All 67 counties in Pennsylvania were represented in the Great American Cleanup of PA in 2013. As of June 15, 2013, the reporting rate for GACPA registered events through the GACPA website was 80%. Therefore, the actual grand totals could be significantly higher. There were 4,928 events with 137,429 volunteers. Volunteers collected 309,672 bags of trash or 6,193,439 pounds. They cleaned 13,954 miles of roads, railroad tracks, trails, waterways, and shorelines, and 4,252 acres of parks and or wetlands. Additionally, volunteers planted 5,933 trees, bulbs, and plants in an effort to keep Pennsylvania beautiful.

## Highlights

- *Registered Events and Volunteers* - Organizers in Bucks County were leaders in the cleanup effort with 240 registered events followed by Lancaster (225), York (168), Luzerne (160), and Indiana (149) Counties. Volunteers of registered events in these top five counties represented 16% of the total volunteers, accounting for 22,538 of the 137,379 volunteers. This does not include the City of Philadelphia's Philly's Spring Cleanup program which was comprised of an impressive 572 individual cleanup and education events.



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- *Pounds of Trash* - Volunteers in Philadelphia County collected the most trash with an impressive total of 1,450,500 pounds. Volunteers in Luzerne (668,880), Allegheny (631,420), Bucks (315,060), and Tioga (235,060) Counties rounded out the top five counties for pounds of trash collected.
- *Miles Cleaned* - Volunteers in Westmoreland County cleaned more roads, railroad tracks, trails, waterways, and shorelines than any other county with a total of 974 miles cleaned. Volunteers in Bucks (845), Lancaster (723), Chester (583), and Elk (421) Counties rounded out the top five counties for mileage cleaned.
- *Beautification* - Beautification efforts were most notable in the southeast region of the state with Philadelphia County volunteers planting a total of 2,753 trees, flowers, and bulbs. Lehigh County volunteers planted 577 trees, bulbs, and flowers and Cambria County planted 480 trees, flowers, and bulbs. The volunteer beautification effort in these three counties accounted for 64% of all trees, flowers, and bulbs planted.
- *Tires collected* - York County volunteers collected 16,228 tires followed by Clinton County volunteers with 4,025. Volunteers in Cumberland County collected 3,296 tires. Collections in these three counties accounted for 59% of all tires collected.

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**Table 1. 2013 Great American Cleanup of PA Summary Statistics \***

	<b>Grand Totals</b>
Total Events Reported	<b>4,928</b>
Cleanup Events	<b>4,848</b>
Beautification Events	<b>50</b>
Recycling Events	<b>19</b>
Education Events	<b>11</b>
Total Number of Volunteers	<b>137,429</b>
Total Number of Volunteers Under 18	<b>10,171</b>
Total Number of Communities Involved	<b>4,829</b>
Total Bags of Trash Collected	<b>309,672</b>
Total Pounds of Trash Collected	<b>6,193,439</b>
Total Miles of Road, Railroad Track, Trails, Waterways, and Shorelines Cleaned	<b>13,954</b>
Total Acres of Parks and/or Wetlands Cleaned	<b>4,252</b>
Total Number of Trees, Flowers, and Bulbs Planted	<b>5,933</b>
Total Pounds of Aluminum/Steel Recycled	<b>15,060</b>
Total Number of Tires Collected and/or Recycled	<b>41,130</b>
Total Number of People Educated	<b>5,371</b>

\* Results collected through June 15, 2013, and include PennDOT's AAH activities.



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**Table 2. 2013 Great American Cleanup of PA Grand Totals by Event Type \***

	<b>Grand Totals</b>
<b>GENERAL EVENT RESULTS</b>	
Total Events Reported	<b>4,928</b>
Total # of Volunteers	<b>137,429</b>
Total # of Volunteers Under 18	<b>10,171</b>
Total # of Communities Involved	<b>4,829</b>
<b>CLEANUP EVENT RESULTS</b>	
Total Bags of Trash Collected	<b>309,672</b>
Total Pounds of Trash Collected	<b>6,193,439</b>
Total Miles of Road Cleaned	<b>13,409</b>
Total Miles of RR Track Cleaned	<b>37</b>
Total Acres of Park Cleaned	<b>3,738</b>
Total Miles of Trails Cleaned	<b>225</b>
Total Playgrounds Cleaned/Built	<b>180</b>
Total Miles of Water/Shore Cleaned	<b>283</b>
Total Acres of Wetlands Cleaned	<b>514</b>
Total Junk Cars Removed	<b>4</b>
<b>BEAUTIFICATION EVENT RESULTS</b>	
Total Trees Planted	<b>1,340</b>
Total Flowers/Bulbs Planted	<b>4,622</b>
Total Homes Painted/Renovated/Built	<b>16</b>
Total Commercial Bldgs. Painted/Renovated/Built	<b>19</b>
Total Graffiti Sites Abated	<b>216</b>
<b>RECYCLING EVENT RESULTS</b>	
Total Bags of Clothing Collected	<b>144</b>
Total Pounds of Clothing Collected	<b>2,880</b>
Total Pounds of Aluminum/Steel Recycled	<b>15,060</b>
Total Pounds of Newspaper Recycled	<b>3,000</b>
Total Tires Collected	<b>41,130</b>
Total Batteries Collected	<b>8</b>
Total Pounds of Electronics Recycled	<b>5,242</b>
<b>EDUCATION EVENTS RESULTS</b>	
Total Education Workshops	<b>13</b>
Total People in Attendance	<b>5,371</b>

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**Table 3. 2011/2012/2013 Great PA Cleanup Grand Total Comparison \***

	2011	2012	2013	2012-2013 Change
<b>GENERAL EVENT RESULTS</b>				
Total Events Reported	4,222	4,421	4,928	507
Total # of Volunteers	159,922	141,264	137,429	(3,835)
Total # of Volunteers Under 18	11,875	9,909	10,171	262
Total # of Communities Involved	4,759	5,269	4,829	(440)
<b>CLEANUP EVENT RESULTS</b>				
Total Bags of Trash Collected	354,267	338,148	309,672	(28,476)
Total Pounds of Trash Collected	7,085,340	6,762,960	6,193,439	(56,9521)
Total Miles of Road Cleaned	12,716	12,534	13,409	875
Total Miles of RR Track Cleaned	22	31	37	6
Total Acres of Park Cleaned	5,759	13,841	3,738	(10,103)
Total Miles of Trails Cleaned	210	412	225	(187)
Total Playgrounds Cleaned/Built	221	85	180	95
Total Miles of Water/Shore Cleaned	192	611	283	(328)
Total Acres of Wetlands Cleaned	128	205	514	309
Total Junk Cars Removed	1	12	4	(8)
<b>BEAUTIFICATION EVENT RESULTS</b>				
Total Trees Planted	603	755	1,340	585
Total Flowers/Bulbs Planted	2,718	21,756	4,622	(17,134)
Total Homes Painted/Renovated/Built	0	0	16	16
Total Commercial Bldgs. Painted/Renovated/Built	2	4	19	15
Total Graffiti Sites Abated	26	16	216	200
<b>RECYCLING EVENT RESULTS</b>				
Total Bags of Clothing Collected	531	315	144	(171)
Total Pounds of Clothing Collected	17,467	10,362	2,880	(7,482)
Total Pounds of Aluminum/Steel Recycled	7,435	41,490	15,060	(26,430)
Total Pounds of Newspaper Recycled	2,000	0	3,000	3,000
Total Tires Collected	14,628	18,777	41,131	22,354
Total Batteries Collected	4	8	8	0
Total Pounds of Electronics Recycled	22,748	79,032	5,242	(73,790)
<b>EDUCATION EVENTS RESULTS</b>				
Total Education Workshops	7	13	13	0
Total People in Attendance	3,135	9,960	5,371	(4,589)

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**Table 4. 2013 Great American Cleanup of PA Summary Statistics/County \***

County Name	Total Events Reported	Total # of Volunteers	Total # of Volunteers Under 18	Total # of Communities Involved	Total Bags of Trash Collected	Total Pounds of Trash Collected
Adams	56.00	981.00	30.00	90.00	696.00	13,920.00
Allegheny	120.00	7,519.00	535.00	126.00	31,571.00	631,420.00
Armstrong	42.00	661.00	2.00	42.00	1,280.00	25,600.00
Beaver	55.00	1,070.00	30.00	57.00	1,938.00	38,760.00
Bedford	40.00	777.00	2.00	39.00	2,933.00	58,660.00
Berks	44.00	1,592.00	517.00	43.00	1,905.00	38,100.00
Blair	89.00	1,879.00	13.00	110.00	10,937.00	218,740.00
Bradford	28.00	1,018.00	70.00	28.00	844.00	16,880.00
Bucks	240.00	8,550.00	997.00	272.00	15,753.00	315,060.00
Butler	76.00	375.00	74.00	78.00	1,154.00	23,080.00
Cambria	115.00	3,233.00	482.00	118.00	5,475.00	109,500.00
Cameron	9.00	60.00	0	8.00	1,709.00	34,180.00
Carbon	51.00	750.00	18.00	50.00	4,882.00	97,640.00
Centre	55.00	864.00	126.00	54.00	3,645.00	72,900.00
Chester	94.00	4,008.00	414.00	99.00	7,170.00	143,400.00
Clarion	20.00	146.00	35.00	22.00	443.00	8,860.00
Clearfield	36.00	1,385.00	124.00	42.00	1,731.00	34,620.00
Clinton	26.00	669.00	36.00	29.00	781.00	15,620.00
Columbia	33.00	508.00	13.00	35.00	1,109.00	22,180.00
Crawford	64.00	736.00	73.00	66.00	600.00	12,000.00
Cumberland	55.00	852.00	135.00	63.00	1,457.00	29,140.00
Dauphin	63.00	1,764.00	225.00	66.00	3,417.00	68,340.00
Delaware	44.00	1,207.00	112.00	55.00	2,129.00	42,580.00
Elk	49.00	658.00	35.00	53.00	1,621.00	32,420.00
Erie	85.00	4,444.00	309.00	92.00	1,275.00	25,500.00
Fayette	56.00	840.00	114.00	71.00	3,002.00	60,040.00
Forest	39.00	334.00	0	39.00	575.00	11,500.00
Franklin	24.00	246.00	5.00	28.00	277.00	5,540.00
Fulton	8.00	87.00	0	8.00	72.00	1,440.00
Greene	38.00	238.00	7.00	43.00	3,287.00	65,740.00
Huntingdon	103.00	572.00	92.00	102.00	570.00	11,400.00
Indiana	149.00	1,092.00	0	156.00	4,871.00	97,420.00

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Jefferson	76.00	1,331.00	112.00	76.00	4,267.00	85,340.00
Juniata	15.00	175.00	2.00	15.00	180.00	3,600.00
Lackawanna	96.00	3,720.00	770.00	94.00	8,688.00	173,760.00
Lancaster	225.00	1,729.00	462.00	274.00	1,451.00	29,020.00
Lawrence	58.00	602.00	66.00	62.00	1,123.00	22,460.00
Lebanon	35.00	948.00	94.00	39.00	523.00	10,460.00
Lehigh	56.00	3,963.00	602.00	68.00	4,260.00	85,200.00
Luzerne	160.00	10,036.00	88.00	185.00	33,444.00	668,880.00
Lycoming	71.00	433.00	2.00	71.00	3,121.00	62,420.00
McKean	59.00	1,785.00	548.00	61.00	2,216.00	44,320.00
Mercer	25.00	797.00	24.00	28.00	2,145.00	42,900.00
Mifflin	19.00	145.00	6.00	19.00	225.69	4,513.80
Monroe	113.00	1,102.00	146.00	112.00	3,419.00	68,380.00
Montgomery	135.00	5,280.00	658.00	184.00	6,842.10	136,842.00
Montour	5.00	65.00	0	5.00	166.00	3,320.00
Northampton	50.00	1,566.00	61.00	52.00	1,476.00	29,520.00
Northumberland	18.00	279.00	36.00	21.00	643.90	12,878.00
Perry	23.00	308.00	25.00	23.00	548.00	10,960.00
Philadelphia	27.00	38,720.00	664.00	127.00	72,525.00	1,450,500.00
Pike	100.00	811.00	77.00	90.00	1,967.00	39,340.00
Potter	37.00	230.00	0	37.00	568.00	11,360.00
Schuylkill	103.00	2,305.00	225.00	101.00	1,738.00	34,760.00
Snyder	26.00	354.00	0	27.00	1,056.00	21,120.00
Somerset	13.00	262.00	0	13.00	434.00	8,680.00
Sullivan	25.00	123.00	0	25.00	215.00	4,300.00
Susquehanna	110.00	1,017.00	25.00	112.00	6,622.00	132,440.00
Tioga	24.00	333.00	30.00	28.00	11,753.00	235,060.00
Union	29.00	422.00	4.00	27.00	1,056.24	21,124.80
Venango	72.00	762.00	4.00	75.00	1,351.00	27,020.00
Warren	74.00	528.00	35.00	77.00	932.00	18,640.00
Washington	120.00	2,182.00	115.00	148.00	5,068.00	101,360.00
Wayne	53.00	2,086.00	126.00	51.00	2,716.00	54,320.00
Westmoreland	87.00	1,723.00	429.00	106.00	4,134.00	82,680.00
Wyoming	43.00	1,061.00	16.00	46.00	563.00	11,260.00
York	168.00	1,131.00	94.00	166.00	3,126.00	62,520.00

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County Name	Total Miles of Road, Railroad Track, Trails, Waterways, and Shorelines Cleaned	Total Acres of Park and/or Wetlands Cleaned	Total Number of Trees, Flowers, and Bulbs Planted	Total Pounds of Aluminum/Steel Recycled	Total Tires Collected	Total People Educated
Adams	109.90	0	0	0	1,428.00	0
Allegheny	373.05	161.00	36.00	0	341.00	0
Armstrong	150.00	0	0	0	3.00	0
Beaver	148.50	4.50	0	0	11.00	0
Bedford	179.00	0	0	0	2.00	0
Berks	131.10	86.05	40.00	0	113.00	700.00
Blair	245.00	0	0	0	871.00	220.00
Bradford	77.00	2.50	22.00	0	44.00	0
Bucks	844.75	996.00	177.00	0	526.00	82.00
Butler	96.03	3.25	0	0	0	0
Cambria	310.35	29.10	480.00	0	1,408.00	0
Cameron	18.00	0	0	0	0	0
Carbon	90.50	3.00	0	0	2.00	0
Centre	218.50	204.00	12.00	0	72.00	0
Chester	582.55	324.50	106.00	0	87.00	0
Clarion	84.00	2.00	0	0	3.00	0
Clearfield	97.50	31.00	6.00	0	330.00	0
Clinton	53.00	4.00	0	0	4,025.00	0
Columbia	153.50	5.00	0	0	6.00	0
Crawford	129.50	5.00	0	0	0	0
Cumberland	132.80	15.00	30.00	0	3,296.00	0
Dauphin	105.10	34.00	113.00	0	1.00	0
Delaware	146.80	0	60.00	0	12.00	15.00
Elk	420.50	1.00	0	0	2,946.00	0
Erie	237.21	504.00	0	0	14.00	0
Fayette	267.00	23.00	300.00	0	1,485.00	0
Forest	125.00	0	0	0	0	0
Franklin	61.00	15.00	0	0	0	0
Fulton	17.00	0	0	0	0	0
Greene	240.25	2.00	0	0	187.00	0
Huntingdon	125.00	0	0	0	5.00	0
Indiana	385.80	0	0	0	25.00	0

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Jefferson	262.00	10.00	0	0	11.00	0
Juniata	44.00	6.00	0	0	16.00	0
Lackawanna	280.25	11.00	0	13,560.00	1,313.00	0
Lancaster	723.25	38.00	400.00	0	6.00	305.00
Lawrence	99.25	3.00	0	0	30.00	0
Lebanon	112.72	0	0	0	18.00	0
Lehigh	110.50	119.75	577.00	0	61.00	0
Luzerne	321.00	4.00	0	0	506.00	0
Lycoming	173.00	0	0	0	0	0
McKean	359.00	0.50	0	0	30.00	0
Mercer	61.00	2.00	0	0	56.00	0
Mifflin	43.70	0	0	0	7.00	0
Monroe	285.50	128.00	0	0	90.00	0
Montgomery	312.20	150.40	31.00	0	121.00	0
Montour	37.00	0	0	0	0	0
Northampton	92.00	4.00	0	0	33.00	400.00
Northumberland	53.25	30.00	0	0	50.00	0
Perry	64.00	0	0	0	225.00	0
Philadelphia	163.00	502.00	2,753.00	0	18.00	0
Pike	243.00	25.00	37.00	0	17.00	0
Potter	72.00	0	0	0	0	0
Schuylkill	374.50	0	8.00	0	152.00	0
Snyder	126.00	0.50	0	0	82.00	0
Somerset	50.00	0	0	0	0	0
Sullivan	75.00	0	0	0	0	0
Susquehanna	255.00	1.00	0	1,500.00	1,792.00	0
Tioga	273.00	2.00	0	0	35.00	0
Union	129.90	0	0	0	81.00	0
Venango	203.50	0	0	0	1.00	0
Warren	201.65	1.00	0	0	12.00	0
Washington	252.70	706.00	0	0	2,485.00	0
Wayne	146.80	7.00	0	0	7.00	0
Westmoreland	973.50	36.11	300.00	0	386.00	3,649.00
Wyoming	273.40	0	0	0	19.00	0
York	352.75	9.50	445.00	0	16,228.00	0

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