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## **Volunteers Picked Up More than 2,000 Pounds of Trash During Town-wide Clean Up**

**PURCELLVILLE, Va. April 12, 2019** — More than 225 volunteers participated in the annual Town-wide Clean Up on Saturday, April 6, 2019. From 8:00 a.m. to noon, 2,320 pounds of trash and 640 pounds of recycling were collected in 173 bags throughout the Town of Purcellville.

This effort is conducted annually in partnership with Keep Loudoun Beautiful. The new Purcellville-area leader, Clay Grisius, organized the effort with support from Town staff. On the day of the event, Mayor Kwasi Fraser and Clay welcomed all of the volunteers who then fanned out across town to their designated locations. Volunteers were joined by Mayor Fraser, and Council Members Tip Stinnette, Joel Grewe, and Nedim Ogelman. As groups reported back in, Clay tallied the number of bags of trash and recycling collected. The full bags were picked up on Monday, April 8 by Pack Rat Hauling which generously donated its services for this important effort.

Thank you to Clay Grisius and his family, all of the volunteers, and Pack Rat Hauling for helping clean up Purcellville.

### **The Town of Purcellville, Virginia**

Purcellville is an award-winning town of over 9,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 10th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at [www.purcellvilleva.gov](http://www.purcellvilleva.gov).

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