

Volunteers needed for clean-up

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Keep Noblesville Beautiful will host its ninth Neighborhood Clean-up Blitz from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 18. This year's site is Grant Street and Central

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Avenue from 10th to 16th streets.

The sign-in and work assignment area is in the parking lot of the Christ Community Christian Church, 772 N. 10th St. Food and drinks are provided. Volunteers should dress appropriately and bring work gloves. If under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian is needed to sign a waiver form. Volunteers are needed and can email info@keepnoblesvillebeautiful@gmail.com to participate.

"Some volunteers keep coming back because it is a very family and group oriented experience. There is a task for every level of volunteer. They see the difference they can make in a day," KNB Blitz Chairwoman Cindy Haas said.

Haas said residents can request outdoor work such as pruning, removing old landscaping, weeding, mulching and some painting. If the

homeowner financially or physically can't do the work, the volunteers take pride in the fact they help overcome those limitations and at no cost to the homeowners.

"It's the same concept here where we see one homeowner making an effort to create a more inviting home with curb appeal and then it snowballs down the street to their neighbors making a little effort to do the same. It's motivating," Haas said. "We install house numbers so they will be easily identified if ever there is an emergency. We grind a stump so they can utilize the yard without tripping over the hazard. Fixing a flower box results in it being filled with color each year and removing old appliances gives more interior space."

KNB is a non-profit organization that engages citizens in beautifying the city, improving the quality of the environment and fostering pride in the community. The Blitz will be completed in cooperation with the Noblesville Street and Fire departments, the IDNR Certified Tree Stewards, and Hamilton County Master Gardeners. For more information, visit www.KeepNoblesvilleBeautiful.org.