

## Waterview Cleans Up!

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With the assistance of Boy Scout Troop 358, community members and staff, Waterview Recreation Center conducted a multi-part cleanup of the Waterview Recreation Center grounds on June 6.

The day's focus was a general cleanup of the block-encompassing grounds. Volunteers worked very hard, collecting over 50 bags of leaves, trash and dirt. Six trees were mulched in the tot playground, and a garden box was rebuilt. Everyone was rewarded for their hard work with soft pretzels, hot dogs and water.



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At a later date, the Boy Scouts will come back to assist in a final project: repainting swings, benches and several walls to brighten up the tot playground! Special thanks to the Home Depot on Cheltenham Avenue for their generous donation of paint supplies.

This project was the idea of Jordan Michael Smith, a teenage member of Troop 358 who planned the cleanup for his Eagle Scout project. Waterview welcomed the project, because it had been several years since the last assisted large-scale clean-up.

Waterview thanks Jordan, his mother Donna, his family members and the members of Troop 358 for helping to make Waterview a cleaner, more beautiful place, and for setting a positive example for other teens of what is possible when you are committed to making your community a better place for all.



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