

## PRESCOTT CREEKS

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## GRANITE CREEK CLEANUP COMING APRIL 22 This Year's Event Offers More Activities for Participants

Prescott Creeks will be hosting the annual Granite Creek Cleanup Saturday, April 22. In what has become a rite-of-spring event in Prescott, the Cleanup brings out over 500 friends and neighbors to clean up our creeks, lakes, and trails and to celebrate our community's waterways and natural places. Now in its 11<sup>th</sup> year under Prescott Creeks' leadership, Granite Creek Cleanup participants have removed over 43 tons of waste materials from Prescott waterways, trails, and natural areas. As Cleanup participation continues to grow, Prescott Creeks is expanding this year's Cleanup offerings to include a variety of beautification and restoration activities.

After ten years of getting people out to take care of our waterways, Cleanup efforts seem to be paying off in more ways than one. Last year's Cleanup drew over 550 participants of all ages, but saw a continuing trend of less litter and debris collected. This year, participants can choose to be involved in other activities including park and trail beautification and habitat restoration and invasive vegetation management in Watson Woods Riparian Preserve, along with the traditional trash and debris cleanup along our creeks.

On the day of the event, participants will gather at Granite Creek Park to pick up their creek assignments, gear, and the popular event t-shirts, and then spread out near and far to explore and take care of our waterways, trails, and natural places. The generous Cleanup sponsors will be providing support, snacks, coffee, and other things that will help make the day a success.

To help facilitate getting everyone through day-of-event sign-in and out to the Cleanup activity of their choice, early registration is recommended for those interested in participating. More information and an online registration form are available on the Prescott Creeks website at <a href="https://www.PrescottCreeks.org/Cleanup">www.PrescottCreeks.org/Cleanup</a>, or by calling (928) 445-5669. With the support and participation of the community, we'll all work together to clean up the community and ensure our creeks and wild places remain a part of our landscape for all to enjoy.

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