

## **City of Willcox Newsletter**

### **FEBRUARY 2015**

#### **Help Clean Up Willcox**

Jeff Stoddard, Development Services

As a community, how about expending some energy and consciously working together to clean up Willcox? Cleaning up Willcox benefits not only those of us living here (who likes to live in a dirty house?), but also those people visiting our city; it even benefits future generations.

As individuals, simple actions on our part can make a big difference in keeping our city clean. Throw garbage in the proper place and not on the road. Pick up garbage littering the sidewalk or road and properly dispose of it. Throw household waste where it belongs, and not outside the house. Encourage others to make the same effort to help promote a better community. Little by little, we will notice an improvement in the overall appearance of the city.

As groups, we can tackle areas of our city that need cleaning, and work together to make it happen. Some people may be thinking, but why make the effort? Besides the simple answer that it feels good to live in a clean space, there are other advantages, as well. This article consists of additional reasons to keep our city clean.

#### **IMPARTS GOOD QUALITIES AMONG INDIVIDUALS**

Having the mindset of keeping our city clean, helps impart a sense of civic duty. Keeping the community around us clean will impress visitors to our city and make them want to return. Being involved in civic duty and responsibility may modify our character for the good, and help impart leadership qualities in us.

#### **ATTRACTING NEW BUSINESS**

Attracting new businesses to a city offers many benefits to a community, such as: they provide additional revenues to the city and may lower taxes; they secure work for local residents; and, they may reduce the prices of consumer goods. Cleaning up Willcox and keeping it clean will help to attract new businesses.

#### **TO PROMOTE TOURISM**

Tourists increase the economic base of the communities that draw them. As tourists are primarily attracted to those cities which are beautiful in appearance as well as rich in historical and scenic activities, we want to work to keep our city clean.

## **FOR PRESERVING THE ENVIRONMENT**

Throwing waste products such as soda cans, food wrappers, and fountain drink cups, in the parks, gardens, and other areas degrades the environment. These items do not decompose and are a blight in our environment. Avoid throwing waste products in public places; use provided trash bins instead.

## **FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS**

By being conscious of what and how much we consume in terms of natural resources, by being caretakers of our natural reserves, monuments, and historical buildings, and by working to keep our community clean, we will have a heritage to pass on to the next generation.

## **ANNUAL CITY CLEAN-UP**

Our Spring Clean-Up Day is scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:30 am. Bags for the clean-up will be available at Railroad Park from 7:30 am until 9:00 am. A dumpster will be located on the lot at the corner of Stewart Street and Railroad Avenue. Thank you for caring and sharing!

### **From the Office of the City Clerk...**

Virginia A. Mefford, City Clerk

## **City Council Meetings**

### **Regular Meeting**

**Thursday  
Mar 5, 2015**

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**Thursday  
Mar 19, 2015**

**6:30 p.m.**

City Council Chambers  
300 W. Rex Allen Drive