

City of Willcox Quarterly Newsletter

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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. Cleanup Day is April 23, 2016, and you can contact the Willcox Chamber of Commerce for details at 384-2272. Some people may be thinking, “*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 which may lower taxes; they secure work for local residents; and, they may reduce the price 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.

From the Office of the City Clerk...

Virginia A. Mefford, CMC, City Clerk

City Council Meetings This Quarter

Regular Meetings

**First Thursday
May 5, Jun 2, Jul 7, 2016**

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**Third Thursday
May 19, Jun 16, Jul 21, 2016**

6:30 p.m.

**City Council Chambers
300 W. Rex Allen Drive**

**Reminder: Except for Emergency Services, all City Offices will be CLOSED
Monday, May 30, for the Memorial Day Holiday and Monday, July 4, 2016 for the
Independence Day Holiday**