

## CLEAN & GREEN, BRICKS & BOARDS

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Nextdoor is already a-buzz with citizens around town rallying to the call to Clean Up Rio Vista for Earth Day as part of the Solano County EARTH DAY CLEAN UP Project on April 21<sup>st</sup>. RioVision joins organizers, schools, non-profits, businesses, and clubs in encouraging our community to come together as volunteers of all ages to make a beautiful difference in where we live, as well as gain positive recognition for Rio Vista within the county. There are many ways to help.



Be part of one of the trash collection teams on Saturday morning! Get outdoors with family, friends, a club, or meet new folks! One group of teams will cover the Rio Vista shoreline starting at Sandy Beach (volunteer coordinator: Marissa Medders, [MAMEdders@SolanoCounty.com](mailto:MAMEdders@SolanoCounty.com)). The other group will cover Church and Airport Roads around Trilogy, and Hwy 12 at the Trilogy entrance if Cal Trans protection is available. (Coordinator: Lydia Carriere, [lydiacarriere59@gmail.com](mailto:lydiacarriere59@gmail.com)). Deadline for assignment to a volunteer team is April 15<sup>th</sup>! For more details, or to download a flyer, contact the coordinators or see Lydia's post on Nextdoor "RIO VISTA EARTH DAY CLEAN UP". The more folks we have, the more we cover! Thank you to Lydia and Marissa for organizing this opportunity for

all of us to join in caring for our local environment.

If you want to help but aren't able to do the physical work on Saturday morning, here are other options: Recruit volunteers. Post flyers. Reach out on social media or to your organizations or schools. Donate heavy duty trash bags or grab bags for pick up; loan trash grabbers or orange safety cones if you have them. And help keep Rio Vista clean and green by properly disposing of and transporting trash.

*(Photo: 2016 Clean Up by Robie Williams)*

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As RioVision kicks off plans for a community celebration on June 2<sup>nd</sup> at the new SKATE AND DOG PARK facilities in Val de Flores Park, we invite you to commemorate someone special in your life with the purchase of a personalized BRICK to be installed under the trees near the entrance to the gates. These donations provide funds to furnish amenities for visitors, skateboarders, and dogs at the park such as benches and canine obstacle courses. Honor the tail-wagging companion in your life who offers unconditional love or now waits for you at Rainbow Bridge. Recognize the skateboarder in your life whose bright spirit brings you joy. Up to 4 lines of black print inscribed on sand-colored bricks are available for \$75, of which \$55 is tax-deductible. To order, see our newspaper ad or go to [www.brickrus.com/order/riovision/](http://www.brickrus.com/order/riovision/).

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RioVision also invites kids of all ages to design and paint small skateboards (no wheels) to enter a SKATEBOARD DESIGN Contest. Details will be available in our schools soon. Check out the window at Foster's Bighorn for displays showing the Skate/Dog Park layout and Skateboard Contest info.

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Review [What's Happening](#) for exciting March events including the 2018 LUNAFEST® on March 3<sup>rd</sup> hosted by Soroptimists International.

