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Environmental Activities

Help your community go green by participating in the National Day of Volunteering! There are tons of projects and activities that can help out the environment, in and around, your community.

Take a look at what others have done to go green in their area:

- Dell Ireland became more environmentally friendly by planting trees around their Dublin offices and car park.
- As part of the national campaign for "Tidy Towns," the city of Rathgowan in Westmeath sponsored a clean up of the entire local area.
- McDonald's joined the REPACK initiative in order to help curb their carbon footprint. Now McDonald's has a recycling system to better reduce their amount of waste.
- Eala Óg – a crèche in Inchacore, set up new compost site for their vegetable garden in order to teach the children the benefits of composting and to help encourage them to do so at home.
- Crèche children in County Mayo took part in a virtual river clean up. They lined up in virtual boats and used fishing nets to fish out the rubbish. The children became more aware of volunteering and the importance of the environment.
- Schools across Kerry used the National day of Volunteering to earn a Green Flag for their schools by cleaning up, planting flowers and giving their school a makeover.

CASE STUDY:

The Riverside clean-up

INITIATED BY:

The Mayo County Volunteer Centre

WHERE DID IT TAKE PLACE:

Banks of the Mhuaidh River near Ballina.

WHAT TOOK PLACE:

The Mayo VC organised a group of children to help with a riverside clean up. The activity taught them the importance of keeping the environment clean, and the consequences of what can happen if we neglect our waterways.

OUTCOMES:

The kids have continued to help in local area clean-ups and started to help teach younger the same lessons.



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