

How is Keep Lee County Beautiful, Inc. improving Lee County?



The Clean Scene

Serving Lee County Since 1989!

Our mission is to inspire, educate, and engage the Lee County community in improving, beautifying, and protecting our environment.

August Newsletter

Environmental News And Upcoming Events



International Coastal Cleanup September 18, 2021 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

The trash and debris that is on our shorelines and in our waterways, is so much more than just a blemish to our environment. It is a public health threat as well as a serious danger to the stability and wellbeing to our ocean's ecosystems. Keep Lee County Beautiful ask you to join us in making a difference by helping to clean our beaches and waterways.

This is the world's largest, single day volunteer effort to clean up the marine environment. 2021 will be the 32nd year that Keep Lee County Beautiful has hosted this event in Lee County, where we strive to preserve and protect our coastal community.

The recent study conducted by Keep America Beautiful in 2020 showed that the majority of litter polluting our country was along and, in our waterways, not on our roadsides. While this was surprising, it shows the importance of events like the International Coastal Cleanup.

[Click here](#) to register and view additional information.

[Click here](#) for sponsorship opportunities.

Education Is The First Step

Education and public awareness are an integral part of Keep Lee County Beautiful's mission to improve and protect the environment and to make Lee County a pristine place to live, work and play. Keegan Myers, our Environmental Education



Coordinator, has had a busy summer teaching kids at various summer camps about proper recycling methods, marine litter, and reducing waste. She is also giving presentations to companies and organizations that would like to learn more about Keep Lee County Beautiful and what they can do to help protect the environment.

Reach out to Keegan@klcb.org to schedule a presentation and for additional information.

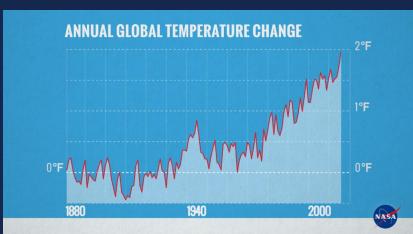


"Go Green" Golf Tournament October 15, 2021

Sponsorship opportunities and team registrations are available for our 30th annual "Go Green" Golf Fundraiser. Team registrations are filling up fast so act now to reserve your spot. There are a variety of sponsorship opportunities available to select from. Visit our [event webpage](#) for sponsor details and to register your team today.

This year's "Go Green" Golf Fundraiser will be taking place at the beautiful Plantation Golf & Country Club in Fort Myers, Florida on October 15. We would be honored by your participation as we work to promote environmental awareness, community engagement and raise funds to support the efforts of our non-profit organization. All donations, monetary or in-kind, are tax deductible and stay right here in Lee County to directly benefit your home community. Your generosity is vital to the ongoing success of our programs.

[Click here](#) for additional information



Climate Facts You Can Make A Difference!

We Can't Ignore The Facts!

We only have one world to live in and we have a responsibility to care for it. We are being shown that we need to do a better job.

- 2020 was the second-warmest year on record. The average global temperature was 1.76 °F above the 20th century average. 2016 was the warmest on record which set the record being 0.04 °F warmer.
- All states in the USA have become warmer over the past century.
- Average rainfall is 5% higher at the beginning of the 21st century than it was at the beginning of the 20th century.
- This increase in rainfall is not spread out evenly. In the USA there have been increases over 5% in the NE and along the Mississippi river while the west, especially California, have had a

- significant decrease in precipitation.
- The Majority of greenhouse gas emissions are due to CO2 emissions. Transportation, primarily passenger cars and light-duty trucks, are the largest source of CO2 emissions in the United States.

Do your part to help.

**Volunteer
Now!**

**Become A
Member**

Support Those That Support Us

Keep Lee County Beautiful would like to encourage you to visit, or use the services of, these businesses that through their support have helped us work towards achieving our mission. With their assistance we have been able to engage the Lee County community and make a lasting change to improve, beautify, and protect the world we live in.



[Passarella & Associates, Inc.](#) began serving the Fort Myers area 25 years ago in 1996 from a 2-person firm. Since then, they have grown into one of the region's largest ecological and GIS consulting firms with offices in Fort Myers, Sarasota and Charleston, SC. Their environmental expertise is based on the application of science and sound ecological principals to oversee both small and large-scale projects from inception to completion.

Their team consists of experienced ecologists, biologists, environmental professionals, GIS analysts, AutoCAD technicians, and support staff members to assist clients through environmental regulations, no matter the complexity of the project. Visit their [website](#) for additional information or call 239-274-0067



[Doc's Beach House](#) is located at 27908 Hickory Blvd. on Bonita Beach. This restaurant has incredible beachfront dining where you can watch an unforgettable sunset. They offer casual dining or you can go to the upstairs bar for those that want a more intimate dining experience with beautiful views overlooking the Gulf of Mexico. [Menu](#) items are available for eat-in or take-out.
239-992- 6444



[Kayak Excursions](#) offers kayaks and SUP (stand up paddleboards) rentals. You can rent from one of their two locations at Bunche Beach and Pelican Bay in Fort Myers, or they will deliver rentals to a location of your choice. They also offer guided tours where common sightings include Dolphins, Manatees, Sea Turtles, and a great variety of birds and other wildlife. This will be an experience of a lifetime! call 239-297-7011 for more information or you can book your reservation [online](#).

Event Updates

Independence Day Cleanup



July 5, 2021

This past July 5th we hosted cleanups at Bunche Beach, the Sanibel Causeway Islands and Fort Myers Beach. On Bunche Beach and the south end of Fort Myers Beach we found a large amount of fireworks containers. Everyplace we cleaned we were gathering the usual plastic and glass bottles, plastic cups, lids, bags, food wrappers and over a thousand cigarette butts.

Thanks to our hard-working volunteers we were able to remove 1,052 pounds of trash and debris from the environment before it could get washed out into the Gulf and damage our water or harm any marine life.

Keep Lee County Beautiful would like to thank [Whole Foods Market](#) for providing granola bars, suntan lotion and bottled water for our volunteers.



Adopt-A-Shore Group Pink Shell Resort Makes A Positive Impact

July 21, 2021

The [Pink Shell Beach Resort & Marina](#) recently cleaned their section of adopted shoreline. Members of the staff restored this beautiful section of beach back to its pristine condition for all to enjoy. To help reduce future littering from occurring they had a large sign made to be placed near the beach that they adopted.

It Reads

KEEP OUR BEACHES CLEAN

Our team works hard to provide you with the best service possible, but we need your help making sure trash does not find its way to the water. Please be responsible and respectful of the environment. We thank you for your efforts.

Please Collect Your
Cups - Straws - Shooters - Toys - Chip Bags
Cigarettes - Used Masks - ANY AND ALL PLASTIC!

Simply follow these requests made on this sign anytime you are out and we can make a drastic reduction in the amount of litter that is getting added into our community every day.



4,000 Sea Oats Planted

July 24, 2021

Keep Lee County Beautiful, Inc. would like to thank [Surfing's Evolution & Preservation Foundation](#) for making this sea oats planting possible by donating the funds to purchase the plants and materials for this project. We would also like to thank the staff at [Lovers Key State Park](#), District 3 Commissioner, Ray Sandelli, and all of our other amazing volunteers who participated in this planting.



These 4,000 sea oats that were planted will grow to become a nesting area for sea turtles and shore birds. They will also strengthen the shoreline to help prevent beach erosion and create sand dunes.

Would you like to help keep Lee County Beautiful?

Keep Lee County Beautiful, Inc. is a non-profit that has always strived towards coordinating programs and events that will beautify and improve our local community. We are also strongly focused on protecting the environment by removing litter and debris throughout our county. One of our main goals is improving both our resident's and visitor's awareness of proper trash disposal and recycling procedures. Our ultimate goal is to someday not need to have large scale cleanup projects. To achieve all of our goals we need your help. If you would like to make a small, tax-deductible donation, please visit our [membership page](#).

We thank you for your support!

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