

# Volunteer Workday

CALENDAR 2009-2010

## GET INVOLVED!

Earn Community Service Hours

From 9 am - 12 noon



 **Environmentally Endangered Lands (EEL) Preserve** *(Not regularly open to the general public)*

 **Miami-Dade County Park**

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| <b>09-26-09</b> | Saturday | <b>Black Creek Forest Preserve</b> <i>(Native Planting)</i><br>SW 112 Ave. and Black Creek Canal   |
| <b>10-03-09</b> | Saturday | <b>Tamiami Pineland Complex Preserve</b> <i>(Native Planting)</i><br>SW 136 St., east of SW 127 Ave.   |
| <b>10-19-09</b> | Monday   | <b>Camp Matecumbe Pineland Preserve</b> <i>(Exotic Removal)</i><br>11400 SW 137 Ave.   |
| <b>10-30-09</b> | Friday   | <b>Ned Glenn Nature Preserve</b> <i>(Planting/Nature walk)</i><br>SW 88 St. and SW 87 Ave.   |
| <b>11-07-09</b> | Saturday | <b>Pineshore Pineland Preserve</b> <i>(Native Planting)</i><br>SW 128 St. and SW 112 Ave.    |
| <b>11-14-09</b> | Saturday | <b>Nixon Smiley Pineland Preserve</b> <i>(Native Planting)</i><br>SW 128 St., west of SW 127 Ave.    |
| <b>12-05-09</b> | Saturday | <b>Oleta River Tract C Preserve</b> <i>(Clean-up and Canoe trip)</i><br>16700 Biscayne Blvd. Meet at East Greynolds<br>Space limited - RSVP required (305) 257-0933 x227  |
| <b>01-22-10</b> | Friday   | <b>Larry and Penny Thompson Pineland Preserve</b><br>SW 179 Ter. and SW 127 Ave. <i>(Clean-up and hike)</i>    |
| <b>01-23-10</b> | Saturday | <b>County Line Scrub Preserve</b> <i>(Grape vine)</i> <br>NE 215 St. and NE 4 Ave.   |
| <b>02-06-10</b> | Saturday | <b>Matheson Hammock Preserve</b> <i>(Exotic plant removal)</i> <br>9610 Old Cutler Road  |
| <b>02-20-10</b> | Saturday | <b>Seminole Wayside Park and Preserve</b> <i>(Clean-up)</i>  <br>29901 US-1         |
| <b>03-06-10</b> | Saturday | <b>Florida City Pineland Preserve</b> <i>(Clean-up)</i> <br>SW 345 St. and SW 184 Ave.   |
| <b>03-20-10</b> | Saturday | <b>Kendall Indian Hammocks</b> <i>(Air-potato)</i> <br>11395 SW 79 St.   |
| <b>04-10-10</b> | Saturday | <b>Kendall Indian Hammocks</b> <i>(Air-potato)</i> <br>11395 SW 79 St.   |
| <b>04-17-10</b> | Saturday | <b>Baynanza</b> <i>(Clean-up)</i><br>Various Sites (305) 372-6784    |

Please pre-register by calling (305) 257-0933 ext 227 or by email at [eel@miamidade.gov](mailto:eel@miamidade.gov).



# Natural Areas

The way nature intended

## Volunteer Workday **GUIDELINES**

- Registration starts 15 minutes before workday begins.
- Be prepared to work outside. Drink plenty of fluids during the day!
- **Closed-toe shoes are required** and long sleeve shirts and long pants are highly recommended.
- A hat, sun block, and insect repellent are also recommended.
- Listen to the orientation given at the beginning of the workday. Pay attention to instructions and warnings (such as how to avoid poison ivy and poison wood).
- Please, do not bring small children or pets along on workdays.
- Do not bring machetes, chain saws, line trimmers, or other motorized equipment.
- Smoking and littering are not permitted.
- Inform staff about concerns, unusual findings, strange debris or occurrences.

## ATTENTION **VOLUNTEERS!**

We need your help to restore Natural Areas in Miami-Dade County! You can get involved by joining one of our workdays scheduled from September through April. Together, we will help protect and restore our rare native habitats by removing exotic vegetation, enhancing trails, restoring native vegetation, and conducting clean-up activities. Volunteers are taught to identify various invasive non-native plants while gaining a greater understanding of the local habitats and rare ecosystems unique to South Florida. *Come **JOIN US!***



**N**atural areas are the hammocks, pinelands, scrubby flatwoods, freshwater wetlands, and mangrove forests that once covered all of Miami-Dade County, but now remain only in undeveloped or protected areas. These habitats, and the plants and animals that live there, are all a part of Miami-Dade County's natural heritage, and are resources to be treasured for generations to come. Non-native plants, introduced from around the world, have invaded these unique natural areas. They crowd out native plants, including rare species, seriously disrupting important natural processes such as storm recovery and natural fire cycles. The control of non-native plants is considered one



of the most important elements in the management of all natural habitats. Through these workdays, volunteers contribute toward the restoration of these unique plant communities.

All participants are required to complete a release form prior to participation. Volunteers under the age of 18 must have the form signed by a parent or guardian. No children under 15 may be left unattended. Please pre-register by calling (305) 257-0933 ext 227 or by email at [eel@miamidade.gov](mailto:eel@miamidade.gov). Please visit our website at [www.miamidade.gov/derm/endangered\\_lands.asp](http://www.miamidade.gov/derm/endangered_lands.asp) for further information. Miami-Dade Parks provides quality and diverse recreational experiences for persons with disabilities. Call Miami-Dade Parks Leisure Access at (305) 755-7848 (V/TDD) to request materials in accessible format, a sign language interpreter and for information on access for persons with disabilities.

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