

VOLUNTEER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BY EMAIL AT EEL@MIAMIDADE.GOV OR BY CALLING (305) 257-0933 EXT. 227

Get Involved!

Earn Community Service Hours

From 9am - 12 noon • Space is limited • Please register via e-mail or call

- SEP 10, 2011-Saturday.....Rockdale Pineland Preserve (*Planting with TREEmendous Miami*) SW 144 St. and SW 92 Ave. **E**
- SEP 24, 2011-Saturday.....National Public Lands Day Various Sites (305) 257-0933 **P**
- OCT 01, 2011-Saturday.....Rockdale Pineland Preserve (*Planting with TREEmendous Miami*) SW 144 St. and SW 92 Ave. **E**
- OCT 22, 2011-Saturday.....Rockdale Pineland Preserve (*Planting with TREEmendous Miami*) SW 144 St. and SW 92 Ave. **E**
- OCT 28, 2011-Friday.....Camp Matecumbe Pineland Preserve (*Exotics Removal*) 13841 SW 120 St. **E**
- NOV 05, 2011-Saturday.....Zoo Miami Pinelands 12400 SW 152 St. **P**
- JAN 14, 2012-Saturday.....Arch Creek Preserve (*Exotics Removal*) 1855 NE 135 St. North Miami **P**
- JAN 21, 2012-Saturday.....East Greynolds Park (*Trash Removal*) 16700 Biscayne Boulevard - by the dog park **E**
- JAN 23, 2012-Monday.....County Line Scrub Preserve (*Vine removal*) NE 215 St. East of San Simeon Way (West of 6th Ave.) **E**
- FEB 03, 2012-Friday.....Larry and Penny Pineland Preserve (*Clean-up*) SW 179 Terrace and SW 122 Ave. **P**
- FEB 11, 2012-Saturday.....Crandon Preserve (*Coin Vine*) 7200 Crandon Blvd. **P**
- MAR 03, 2012-Saturday.....Florida City Pineland Preserve (*Clean-up*) SW 344 St. (West Palm Dr.) and SW 8 Ave. **E**
- MAR 30, 2012-Friday.....Chernoff Hammock Preserve (*Planting*) SW 216 St. and SW 154 Ave. **E**
- APR 06, 2012-Friday.....Hattie Bauer Hammock (*Exotics Removal*) 26715 SW 157 Ave. **E**
- APR 21, 2012-Saturday.....Baynanza (*Cleanup*) Various Sites (305) 372-6784 **P**
- JUN 08, 2012-Friday.....Nixon Smiley Preserve (*Planting*) SW 124 St. and SW 127 Ave. **E**
- JUN 23, 2012-Saturday.....Dolphin Center Preserve (*Planting with TREEmendous Miami*) 1661 NW 195 St. Miami Gardens **E**

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

P Miami-Dade County Park



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 June. 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!**



Natural Areas

The way nature intended

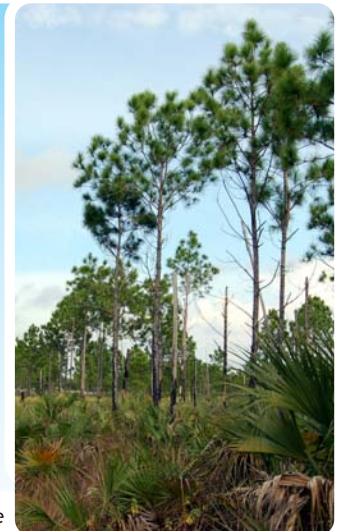
VOLUNTEER WORKDAY GUIDELINES

- Registration starts 15 minutes before workday begins.
- Be prepared to work outside. Drink plenty of fluids during the day! (*Bring your refillable water bottle*)
- **Closed toe shoes are mandatory!** Volunteers wearing flip-flops or sandals will not be allowed to participate. 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).
- Smoking and littering are not permitted.
- Inform staff about concerns, unusual findings, strange debris or occurrences.
- Many of the preserves do not have official addresses, if you need assistance finding a preserve please e-mail eel@miamidade.gov or call (305) 257-0933 ext 227 two days prior to an event.

Natural 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.



September thru June



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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 visit our website at 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.