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## **HAPPY TO HELP SATURDAYS A NEW CITY-WIDE VOLUNTEER EFFORT**



GRAPEVINE, Texas – June 11, 2018 – The City of Grapevine's Parks and Recreation Department is excited to bring residents a brand-new city-wide volunteer effort; Happy to Help Saturdays. This new volunteer initiative, in partnership with Keep Grapevine Beautiful, will take place every fourth Saturday of the month June through September, starting June 23, 2018.

"Our volunteers play an invaluable part in maintaining our exemplary parks system. I enjoy working alongside folks that are passionate about preserving and improving these spaces," says Cindy Harris, City of Grapevine Volunteer Services Liaison. "We look forward to increasing our growing volunteer force at Happy to Help Saturdays."

Happy to Help Saturdays serves as an opportunity to not only lend a helping hand in the community but to also meet other residents in the area. Volunteer efforts include things like painting, planting, litter pickup and much more. All efforts go towards improving the appearance of the community and helping its residents engage with one another while giving back to a community they call home.

"Volunteer programs such as these are great opportunities for engaging the community in stewardship and environmental education," says Kevin Mitchell, Director of Grapevine Parks and Recreation. "When we empower volunteers to take the lead and make a difference, they feel a genuine sense of ownership over projects. We couldn't do the work that we do, without our volunteers' help."

Happy to Help Saturdays kicks off on June 23 at 8:00 am at the Trawick Pavilion (2700 Darren Medlin Trail) and Parr Park Rotary Pavilion, (3010 Parr Lane). This particular effort will involve litter clean up around the area. All supplies will be provided. Volunteers are asked to bring a refillable water bottle.

For additional information on dates, volunteer opportunities, and much more, please visit [www.GoGrapevine.com/HappytoHelp](http://www.GoGrapevine.com/HappytoHelp) or contact Cindy Harris, Volunteer Services Liaison, at [charris@grapevinetexas.gov](mailto:charris@grapevinetexas.gov) or by calling 817.410.3490.

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