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### Hemet Beautiful 2025: A Community Day of Service Unites and Uplifts the City

**Hemet, CA** – On Saturday, April 26, 2025, hundreds of volunteers from every corner of the Hemet community rolled up their sleeves and made a lasting impact during the annual Hemet Beautiful - A Community Day of Service. From 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., the city came alive with purpose and teamwork, as residents, businesses, and civic leaders joined forces to beautify public spaces, restore neighborhoods, and strengthen community spirit.

The event began with check-in at West Valley High School, where volunteers received safety briefings and assignments before dispersing to project sites across the city. Projects ranged from park and business district beautification to public space improvements and graffiti removal. Volunteers engaged in tasks such as painting, planting, carpentry, litter pickup, and more—demonstrating the power of community collaboration.

“This event is a shining example of what makes Hemet so special,” said Mayor Jackie Peterson. “When residents, businesses, and organizations come together with a shared purpose, we not only improve our public spaces—we strengthen the heart of our community.”

The 2025 event saw overwhelming support from local partners, with generous contributions from more than 40 sponsors and Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez, representing Riverside County’s 5th District. Their sponsorship provided tools, materials, and logistical support, making the large-scale volunteer effort possible.

“Hemet Beautiful reminds us that we each have a role to play in creating the city we want to live in,” said City Manager Mark Prestwich. “Together, we’re making Hemet a cleaner, safer, and more beautiful place to call home.”

Volunteers of all ages participated, many earning school community service hours and learning the value of civic responsibility. Their efforts not only enhanced Hemet’s physical environment, but also promoted a stronger sense of connection, pride, and local identity.

#### About Hemet Beautiful

Hemet Beautiful is the City of Hemet’s annual city-wide cleanup and beautification event. It mobilizes residents, organizations, and businesses to work together on projects that improve the look and feel of Hemet’s neighborhoods, parks, and public areas.

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