



# WAKE COUNTY BIG SWEEP

## 17-YEAR RESULTS, 2003-2019

Coordinated by Wake Soil & Water Conservation District  
 in partnership with  
**Big Sweep Zone Captains, Volunteers and Wake County Municipalities**  
 (including results from Wake County Keep America Beautiful, 2003-2005)

Cleanup supplies provided by Wake County Solid Waste Management and Ocean Conservancy



**Wake County Big Sweep's success is due to the sweat equity of its volunteers of all ages. As long as these volunteers refuse to let litter foul their waterways and communities, Wake County Big Sweep will continue cleanup efforts locally to achieve a significant and positive impact globally!**

### GRAND TOTALS from 2003-2019:

- 389,546.0 lbs / 194.8 tons of unhealthy and unsightly litter removed
- 19,097 Big Sweep volunteers donated 48,129 hours valued at \$1,225,482 (at annual hourly rate determined nationally by Independent Sector)
- Over 65 Big Sweep Zone Captains led cleanups
- Over 60+ watershed sites across Wake County were cleaned (once or repeatedly)
- 12 participating Wake County municipalities throughout the years:  
*Apex, Cary, Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Holly Springs, Knightdale, Morrisville, New Hill, Raleigh, Wake Forest, Wendell and Zebulon and sites in north and south Wake County*

YEAR & SEASON	# PARTICIPATING TOWNS / # SITES / # ZONE CAPTAINS	# SHORE MILES / # PARK ACRES	# VOLUNTEERS/ TOTAL HOURS / VALUE	TRASH # BAGS (20 LBS)	RECYCLE # BAGS (20 LBS)	# TIRES (20 LBS)	# HEAVY ITEMS (100 LBS)	TOTAL LBS / TONS
2019 Fall Spring	Apex, Cary, Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh, WCo-New Hill 7 / 19 / 19	91.45 / 301.5	518 / 1,263.75 / \$32,137	218.26	93.11	47.5	33.5	10,527.4 / 5.3
	Cary, Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh, WCo--New Hill 6 / 25 / 23	84.7 / 84.5	613 / 1,370.45 / \$34,851	331.345	78.65	40.75	11.86	10,200.9 / 5.1
2018 Fall Spring	Apex, Cary, Morrisville, Raleigh, Wake Forest, Wendell, WCo-New Hill 6 / 16 / 18	95.7 / 327.4	566 / 2,052.5 / \$50,676	352.71	167.55	76	18.75	13,800.2 / 6.9
	Apex, Cary, Garner, Raleigh, Wake County-New Hill 5 / 18 / 18	68.75 / 231	560 / 1,566.5 / \$38,677	330.25	84.45	67.5	7.5	10,398.4 / 5.2
2017 Fall Spring	Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh, Wake Forest, Wake County-New Hill 5 / 17 / 19	27.7 / 340	562 / 1,345 / \$32,468	268.37	71.2085	39.75	10.9	8,676.57 / 4.3
	Cary, Fuquay-Varina, Morrisville, Raleigh, Wake Forest, WCo-New Hill 6 / 16 / 18	77.2 / 32	576 / 1,542 / \$37,224	421.75	127.125	32	15.25	13,142.5 / 6.6
2016 Fall Spring	Cary, FV, Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh, Wake Forest, WCo-New Hill 7 / 18 / 13	72.25 / 138	465 / 1,052.5 / \$24,796	518.05	50.1	27	3.5	12,253 / 6.1
	Cary, FV, Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh, Wake Forest, WCo-New Hill 7 / 34 / 19	28.2 / 111	839 / 2,010 / \$47,356	384.75	166.875	21.5	15.75	13,037.5 / 6.5

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2015 Fall Spring	Apex, Cary, Garner, Raleigh 4 / 32 / 15 5 / 28 / 13 Cary, Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh, Wake County-South	59.25 / 120 19.5 / 54	557 / 1,278.0 / \$29,484 691 / 1,874.0 / \$43,233	260 298.5	89.625 62.125	5 29.25	9.55 11	8,047.5 / 4.0 8,897.5 / 4.5
2014 Fall Spring	Apex, Cary, FV, Garner, Knightdale, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-No&So 8 / 46 / 27 8 / 16 / 19 Apex, Cary, FV, Garner, HSprings, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-South	88.35 / 53 32.75 / 310	1,109 / 2,682.0 / \$60,479 849 / 1,994.0 / \$44,965	479.7 374.75	278.6 100.625	24 34	9.3 27	16,576 / 8.3 12,887.5 / 6.4
2013 Fall Spring	Cary, FV, Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-No&So 6 / 39 / 24 6 / 13 / 12 Cary, FV, Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-South	85.8 / 35 33.25 / 20	812 / 1,985.5 / \$43,959 436 / 1,249.0 / \$27,653	472.25 439	170.25 158.25	65 75	6 19	14,750 / 7.4 15,345 / 7.7
2012 Fall Spring	Cary, Garner, HSprings, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-North&South 7 / 25 / 30 7 / 12 / 16 Apex, Cary, Garner, HSprings, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-South	51.7 / 90 22.5 / 50	1,023 / 2,597.0 / \$56,589 1,752 / 2,467.0 / \$52,695	654.3 188	178.5 64.5	30 46	18.65 4.5	19,121 / 9.6 6,420 / 3.2
2011 Fall Spring	Apex, Cary, Garner, HSprings, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-No, Zebulon 8 / 22 / 26 5 / 7 / 8 Garner, Holly Springs, Morrisville, Raleigh, Wendell	66.5 / 0 19.0 / 0	838 / 2,039.25 / \$43,558 240 / 716.25 / \$15,299	468 218	156 38.5	27 87	20 8	15,020 / 7.5 7,670 / 3.8
2010 Fall Spring	Cary, FV, Garner, HSprings, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-No, Zebulon 8 / 20 / 25 7 / 13 / 15 Cary, FV, Garner, Holly Springs, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-No & So	62.25 / 0 29.0 / 0	716 / 1,962.0 / \$40,908 393 / 1,165.5 / \$23,601	311.75 362.25	113 205.25	23 52	17.5 14.75	10,705 / 5.4 13,865 / 6.9
2009 Fall Spring	Cary, FV, Garner, HSprings, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-N&S, Zebulon 8 / 24 / 26 4 / 8 / 8 Cary, Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh	51.7 / 0 14.0 / 0	717 / 2,277.0 / \$246,109 287 / 803.0 / \$16,261	380.5 321.5	170.5 48.5	37.5 61	21.5 4.5	13,920 / 7.0 9,070 / 4.5
2008 Fall Spring	Cary, FV, HSprings, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-No&So, Zebulon 8 / 28 / 35 5 / 12 / 13 Garner, Holly Springs, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-North	56.6 / 0 10.625 / 0	653 / 1,930.5 / \$34,749 177 / 514.0 / \$8,738	540 370	114 64	149 104	112 1	27,260 / 13.6 10,860 / 5.4
2007 Fall Spring	Cary, FV, HSprings, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-North&South 7 / 24 / 22 3 / 8 / 8 Fuquay-Varina, Morrisville, Raleigh	39.75 / 0 10.75 / 0	538 / 1,450.0 / \$24,650 350 / 700.0 / \$11,900	530 487	116.25 114.5	53 207	25 5	16,485 / 8.2 16,670 / 8.3
2006 Fall Spring	Cary, FV, Garner, Morrisville, Raleigh, WC-No, Neuse River 7 / 19 / 19 1 / 1 / 1 Raleigh	40.65 / 0 3.0 / 0	437 / 874.0 / \$14,858 101 / 202.0 / \$3,434	593 225	55 60	45 51	2 4.5	14,060 / 7.0 6,945 / 3.5
2005 Fall	Big Sweep Coordinator: Wake County Keep America Beautiful 26 watershed sites	46.5 / 0	443 / 1,329.0 / \$21,929	556	0	47	0	14,445 / 7.2
2004 Fall	Big Sweep Coordinator: Wake County Keep America Beautiful 25 watershed sites	52.5 / 0	569 / 1,707.0 / \$28,166	513	0	115	0	12,560 / 6.5
2003 Fall	Big Sweep Coordinator: Wake County Keep America Beautiful 28 watershed sites	?	710 / 2,130.0 / \$34,080	700	0	50	0	15,000 / 7.5
17 Years = 31 seasons	Cleanups led by 65+ Zone Captains in 12 out of 13 Wake County municipalities	1,442 miles of shore/roadway and 2,297 park acres	19,097 volunteers donating 48,129.0 hrs Valued at = \$1,225,482 annual estimates by Independent Sector					TOTAL = 389,546.0 lbs or 194.8 tons