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LaGrange Youth Council Member Organizes City's May Litter Cleanup Event

LaGrange, Ga. May 1, 2021 – The City of LaGrange's May litter cleanup event was organized by LaGrange Youth Council Chairperson and LaGrange Academy Senior Zoie Mitchell.



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Approximately thirty people participated in the cleanup this morning at LaGrange Academy. Mitchell is a senior at LaGrange Academy and has served as the LaGrange Youth Council Chairperson for the 2020-2021 school year.

Today's community partners include LaGrange Academy, Vernon Wood Retirement Community and LaGrange Fire Department.

Participants cleaned up litter along Vernon Road and Vernon Street as well as the area around LaGrange Academy.

City Manager Meg Kelsey wanted to send a message to the community that the City of LaGrange is serious about cleaning up litter and rolled out the city's campaign, "Leaving LaGrange Better Than We Found It." The City of LaGrange closed non-essential business April 20, 2018 and hundreds of employees picked up trash throughout the community. It was so successful with employees and the community that the city decided to hold monthly litter cleanups.

The public is always welcome to participate.



Pictured from left to right: Diana Mitchell (mom) and Zoie Mitchell

If you are a business, group or an individual who would like to partner with the City of LaGrange on any of these events or if you'd like to host your own litter cleanup, please contact Katie Mercer Van Schoor at kvanschoor@lagrangega.org.

*More about **LaGrange Youth Council**: The **LaGrange Youth Council** is an advisory board composed of local youth that provides advice and counsel to the local governing body. The Youth Council gives local youth a more formal role in the local decision making process offering real world experiences with elected bodies. Twenty-four junior and senior high school students serve on the LaGrange Youth Council.*

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