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### **City of Lansing Held Successful Storm Drain Cleanup in Baker Neighborhood**

**(LANSING)** – Mayor Andy Schor today announced that the Department of Neighborhoods and Citizen Engagement partnered with COGL, a network of regional Pastors, to host a successful storm drain cleanup event in Baker Neighborhood. 25 volunteers (ages 16-90) including Everett High School National Honor Society students and COGL members from local churches participated in the event held on Saturday, March 27, 2021.

“I was happy to see all of the volunteers giving their time to help clean out the storm drains in Baker Neighborhood,” said Mayor Schor. “It’s critical to keep storm drains clear, especially during heavy spring rains, to avoid flooding in our roads, yards, and basements. I thank them for their dedication to keep Lansing’s storm drains clean.”

“It was an honor to organize multiple churches, faith-based organizations, and volunteers to serve alongside the City of Lansing in order to make a measurable impact. Our ongoing mission is to bring leaders together to pray, serve, and give towards the needs expressed by Lansing area residents,” added Kevin Shoemaker, Pastor of Capital City Vineyard Church and COGL’s Director of Family and Neighborhood Network.

The Capital Area Housing Partnership (CAHP) offered use of the HERO Tool Truck which included the Tool Lending Library for volunteers to use during the cleanup. More information regarding CAHP’s HERO Tool Truck can be found at: [www.capitalareahousing.org/](http://www.capitalareahousing.org/)

“Capital Area Housing Partnership is prepared to partner with local organizations and residents in Lansing to provide the tools needed for neighborhood beautification and clean-up events,” said Emma Henry, Assistant Executive Director. “From rakes and shovels to wheelbarrows and gardening tools, we have the supplies to help make neighborhood wide events a success.”

Lansing Neighborhood leaders that are interested in holding a small-scale neighborhood cleanup are encouraged to contact the Department of Neighborhoods and Citizen Engagement by completing the below form to request supplies and resources. Large-scale Bulk Trash Cleanup applications are released in mid-October and are due in early February.

**Request form for small-scale neighborhood cleanups:**  
<https://www.lansingmi.gov/FormCenter/Neighborhoods-35/Resident-Small-CleanUp-Resources-Request-154>

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