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Mayor Kicks Off Annual Neighborhood Clean-Up Hotline Opens to Serve Citizens

April 12, 2006 - Omaha's Annual Neighborhood Clean-Up is gearing up, according to an announcement made by Mayor Mike Fahey today. Each year, the city identifies several weekends for neighborhood clean ups and hosts a hotline so interested citizens can participate.

Beginning Saturday, April 22, and continuing each Saturday through May 20, compactor trucks will be available in participating neighborhoods across the city for use by neighborhood associations. Citizens can find out when and where compactors will be available for their neighborhood by calling 444-INFO (4636).

"Our Neighborhood Clean-Up program provides citizens with the opportunity to not only discard unwanted items from their homes, but also facilitates the clean-up of vacant lots and community spaces, thereby, enhancing the areas in which they live," said Mayor Fahey. "I am extremely proud of this program and the commitment of the volunteers and neighborhood associations, who make Omaha's Neighborhood Clean-Up an annual success."

Last year, more than 1,100 tons of unwanted bulky items were disposed of thanks to the efforts of the 92 neighborhood groups that donated their time. This year, 101 neighborhood groups will participate in the Neighborhood Clean-Up, however, all citizens are encouraged to participate.

The Neighborhood Clean-Up is sponsored by the City of Omaha and managed by the City, Keep Omaha Beautiful Inc. and partnering neighborhood and community groups.