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VOLUNTEERS CLEAN UP 33,209 POUNDS OF MATERIAL

QUAD-CITIES—Volunteers for the 11th annual Xstream Cleanup on Saturday, August 9 removed about 33,209 pounds of debris from area waterways and illegal dump sites. Cleanups were held at 40 locations in Bettendorf, Buffalo, Davenport, LeClaire, McCausland and Lost Grove Lake, Iowa; and in Milan, Moline, Rock Island and Silvis, Illinois.

A total of 1,060 volunteers worked 2,895 hours and collectively gathered 937 bags of trash, 237 tires, 14 appliances, 2 bicycles, 13 pieces of furniture, 29 televisions and 10 mattresses. This was the equivalent of 25,740 pounds of trash, 5,688 pounds of tires, 1,050 pounds of appliances, 46 pounds of bicycles, 435 pounds of televisions and 250 pounds of mattresses, for the grand total of 33,209 pounds.

Additional items collected included wire fencing, coolers, boat seats, a shopping cart, Jeep seats, bricks, a bowling ball, and a garage door.

In addition, volunteers at several sites worked to clear invasive species from natural areas. Volunteers cleared a total of about five acres of invasive species in three hours.

For event photos, find Xstream Cleanup on Facebook or click through from www.xstreamcleanup.org.

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