

## Restoration Program Volunteer Opportunities



This year, we are holding fantastic restoration activities to help rescue our Rouge River, and there is something for *everyone*! If you want to help create natural habitats, cool down urban temperatures, reduce flooding, clean up some pollution, or protect our remaining native areas, we have a project for you!

We will be leading projects to plant native trees along the river, plant urban trees, create rain and pollinator gardens, clean up litter, and remove invasive species.

*No experience is needed.* Work side-by-side with our staff on exciting, hands-on projects. We supply the tools, the materials, and the know-how, while you supply the fun and enthusiasm. So, stay tuned, and check often. All new projects will be posted on our website. Explore the events, find your passion, and sign up TODAY!

## Household Hazardous Waste

FIRST AND FOREMOST!



NEVER dump cleaners, paint, fertilizers, pesticides or other materials down a storm drain, on the ground or into your septic system. Storm drains flow directly to the river without any treatment and materials on the ground seep into soils and can contaminate the groundwater supply

#### TAKE-BACK OR DISPOSAL PROGRAMS

Check with your local car repair, hardware store or police department to see if they offer a take-back program. If they don't take these items to your local HHW event.

#### COMMUNITY HHW EVENT

If your household hazardous waste cannot be donated or there is not a take-back program it should be disposed of at a local household hazardous waste event that is usually coordinated through your community or county. The below items are just a few that should be taken to a HHW event. For a full list check the [State of Michigan's website](#).

#### FIND A HHW EVENT IN YOUR COMMUNITY

[Wayne County](#)

[Oakland County](#)

[Washtenaw County](#)

[Macomb County](#)

[St. Clair County](#)

#### **Additional Helpful Information:**

[Stormwater Management Plans](#)

[Maintaining your Septic System](#)

[Chemical Application & Disposal](#)

[Rouge-Friendly Lawn Maintenance](#)

[Green Infrastructure & You](#)

[Household Hazardous Waste & Illegal Dumping](#)

Visit the ARC's [Facebook page](#)!

If you would like more information on how to protect water quality in the Rouge River, send an email to [info@allianceofrougecommunities.com](mailto:info@allianceofrougecommunities.com)!