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Dear Lend a Hand Volunteers,

On behalf of Hackensack Riverkeeper, I'd like to express my sincere gratitude to your organization for all the support you have given us this summer!

We first met your team at our annual Solstice Cleanup on July 30 at Laurel Hill Park in Secaucus, and without the help of your volunteers, we would not have had such a successful event. The hard work and dedication everyone placed into cleaning the park and County Road Extension helped prevent hundreds of pounds of litter from entering the Hackensack River! Also, the younger volunteers helped us carry hefty floating pieces of lumber from the water, which would have been nearly impossible without their assistance!

In August, Lend a Hand volunteers came out once again to aid us with our Rutkowski Park cleanup in Bayonne. Braving the scorching & humid weather, your team worked tirelessly to recover litter & debris from Newark Bay, significantly contributing to the 645 pounds collected that day!

After all the physical contributions of volunteering at our cleanup events, Lend a Hand took it a step further and donated \$350 to our River Cleanup Program, to which we are very grateful. These funds will help us purchase more trash bags and gloves to supply at our public cleanup events, helping us further our mission to protect, preserve, and restore the Hackensack River.

Thank you for all your support, and we look forward to having you at future river cleanup events!

Sincerely,


Tyler Tierney

