

Environmental Committee Volunteer Opportunities Sunrise Rotary Vero Beach



There is no doubt that protecting our environment is a major priority all around the world. As Sunrise Rotarian, we have some great opportunities to make a positive impact on the challenges in this area. The following are a few of the things Sunrise Rotarians are doing for the environment:

- 1) We are in conversation with the Moorings and St. Edward's School re: a rain garden, oysters and water monitoring.
- 2) We have been a part of ORCA's living shoreline project.
- 3) We have coordinated a clean up project with KIRB to clean up one of the Indian River Land Trust sites on September 21, the International Coastal Cleanup day. Contact Nancy Brown to let her know you want to participate.
- 4) "A Day in the Life" education project on the Indian River Lagoon is scheduled for October. Kids from all up and down the lagoon will be taking water samples, seining, and more to report the condition of the lagoon all on that one day. This is done each year and helps show trends, threats, etc. We have volunteered to work alongside homeschoolers in Sebastian.
- 5) We are looking into sponsoring Water Refill Stations in specific areas of the community to help eliminate throw away plastic bottles.
- 6) A "Rain Garden/Lagoon Garden Incentive Program" for residents of the City of Vero Beach is in the planning stages.
- 7) In 2018, Sunrise Rotarians planted 85 trees at the Vero Beach Freshman Learning Center and the Cal Ripken ballfields!

As other opportunities arise to help the environment we will address those and see what we can do.

You are encouraged to volunteer for any or all of these important Environmental projects. For more information and/or to sign up for a specific project(s) please contact:

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