

VOLUNTEER TO HELP THE OCEAN!

Dear Community Group,

Urban runoff or storm drain pollution is one of the leading sources of ocean pollution. Water flows off streets into storm drains and carries motor oil, cigarette butts, trash, fertilizer, pet waste, soap, antifreeze and other pollutants straight to creeks, rivers and the ocean.

Monterey, Pacific Grove, Del Rey Oaks, Carmel by-the-Sea, Sand City, Seaside, Marina, the County of Monterey, Pebble Beach Company and the Unified School Districts of Carmel, Monterey and Pacific Grove are working together with businesses in their area to reduce storm drain pollution.

This is a great opportunity for citizen volunteers from businesses and community organizations like you to help make a difference. By volunteering, you'll be helping the environment, cutting costs to local communities and potentially creating an environment that will be protected without having to resort to expensive treatment systems.

If you are interested in making a difference and would like to adopt storm drains in your area, you can:

- Participate in a one-time event or on an ongoing basis to help stencil the message "No Dumping Flows to Bay" above storm drain inlets in selected cities. Current participants that stencil on an annual basis include: Monterey Bay Aquarium, Monterey Hyatt and the Rotary Club of Monterey.
- Remove litter and debris from grates and inlets to keep these materials from entering the storm drains.

All stenciling supplies, equipment and instruction in the field will be provided by the Stormwater & Education Alliance (SEA) program, www.montereysea.org, which is funded by the Monterey Regional Stormwater Program.

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