**Clean Up Madison!**

**Saturday, March 20**

**Madison is OUR community.**

**It’s where we live, work and play. Let’s take pride and keep it clean.**

On **Saturday, March 20,** from **8 am to Noon,**

**we need community groups and individuals to volunteer to help clean up Madison County.**

In support of the **Clean Up Madison** initiative, the Madison County Community Bank, Ferrovial Services and the City of Madison are partnering to clean up the littering in our neighborhoods and public spaces.

Please attend our **Informational Meeting** on **Thursday, March 4**at **10:00 am**at the **Madison County Chamber Community Room,** 182 NW College Loop, Madison.

**PLEASE REMEMBER:**

Dispose of your trash properly so our streets, sidewalks and open spaces look their absolute best. OUR efforts will make a difference.

**What is litter?**

Litter is typical waste such as plastic bottles, paper cups, food service containers, fast food wrappers, bags, cigarettes butts, and other trash or garbage that is improperly disposed of in public spaces.

**The negative implications of litter:**

Not only is litter an eyesore that can’t be ignored, it’s also bad for the environment. Litter pollutes our roadways and neighborhood walkways, gets washed into storm drains and directly into waterways endangering our wildlife and harming our natural resources. Litter can also clog storm drains and lead to street flooding.

What’s more, litter lowers property values. What starts out as one or two pieces of trash carelessly thrown onto the ground can turn into a heaping pile of material that can make an area look dirty and in some cases even smell bad.

Lastly, littering is against the law. If caught in the act, individuals can be fined.