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**Oakland Volunteers Celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service with a “Day On, not a Day Off” this Monday, January 20th**

**Oakland Public Works is supporting dozens of community-organized service events across Oakland for MLK Day of Service 2025; hundreds of volunteers are expected to participate this weekend.**

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**OAKLAND MLK SERVICE DAY**

Everyone can be great, because everybody can serve!  
- Martin Luther King Jr.

**Volunteer!**

Oaklandca.gov/MLKDay  
Monday, January 20, 2025

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*Oakland, CA* – On Monday, January 20th, City staff and community volunteers will celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service by participating in community service events across Oakland. More than 40 events have been registered with Oakland Public Works (OPW) in all seven Oakland City Council districts. Volunteers will pick up litter, remove graffiti, weed, plant, and participate in a variety of service and learning events. Information about where and how to volunteer is available online at [www.oaklandca.gov/topics/mlk-day-of-service](http://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/mlk-day-of-service).

This year OPW will sponsor seven event sites. Volunteers are encouraged to register for one of the following locations, which can accommodate large groups.

Council District	Site Name	Address (and/or Check-in Location)	Organization	Date & Time
1	Morcom Rose Garden	700 Jean Street	Friends of Morcom Rose Garden	10 AM - 2:00 PM
2	Clinton Park	6th Ave & International Blvd	Trybe	10:00 AM - 2:30 PM
3	Lake Merritt	568 Bellevue Ave	Lake Merritt Institute	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
4	Woodminster Cascade, Joaquin Miller Park	3300 Joaquin Miller Park	Friends of Joaquin Miller Park	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
5	District 5 Neighborhood Clean-up	1001 Fruitvale Ave	District 5 Council Office	8:00 AM - 11:30 AM
6	Rainbow Recreation Center	5817 International Blvd	Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
7	Mount Carmel Missionary Baptist Church	1343 81st Ave	Xi Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.	8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Groups of 10 or more should RSVP with the event site coordinator. Individuals and small groups are encouraged, but not required, to RSVP. Volunteers are asked to bring water and wear sturdy shoes and weather-appropriate gear. MLK Day is a rain or shine event.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service is sponsored by **Service for Peace** and **The Corporation for National and Community Service**. Service for Peace has supported this annual event in Oakland for 23 years.

Oakland volunteers can make a difference in their communities year-round by signing up to Adopt a Spot or Adopt a Drain in their neighborhoods. Oakland Public Works supports volunteers by providing tools and supplies, debris pickup assistance, promotion, and technical assistance.

Adopt a Spot at [www.oaklandca.gov/services/apply-for-adopt-a-spot-online](http://www.oaklandca.gov/services/apply-for-adopt-a-spot-online)

Adopt a Drain at [www.oaklandca.gov/services/adopt-a-drain](http://www.oaklandca.gov/services/adopt-a-drain)

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