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SPRINGFIELD PARK DISTRICT PARTICIPATES IN EARTH AWARENESS WEEK WITH SEVERAL SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

[Springfield, IL] – The Springfield Park District is excited to announce that we are honoring Earth Awareness Week with several scheduled activities from April 19th- 30th. We plan activities each year during Earth Awareness within our organization and with other volunteer groups to maintain our parks and to ensure that we are being good stewards of this earth. Chuck Smith, the Springfield Park District Arborist and Volunteer Coordinator leads these activities with a variety of staff and members of the community.

This year's events include:

Friday, April 19th- SIU School of Medicine's, Day of Service, where they purchased and helped spread Fibar for Enos and Gehrman playgrounds.

Monday, April 22nd – The Springfield Park District's Tree Crew planted different species of trees throughout the parks.

Friday, April 26th- Arbor Day planting with the Civic Garden Club at Centennial Park at 10:00am. This is an annual event and the Civic Garden Club donates the trees and helps participate in the planting process.

Sunday, April 28th - Springfield Jaycees will help paint, plant trees, and clean up the park area at Jaycees Park at 2:00pm.

Sunday, April 28th- Good Grief Camp will help plant trees at Southwind Park.

Monday and Tuesday, April 29th and 30th- Tree planting at Washington Park Preschool and Lincoln Park.

Earth Day is EVERY DAY at the Springfield Park District as we provide accessible and memorable recreational opportunities that enrich the community and improve the quality of life for generations as well as conserve our natural resources.

We encourage you to get involved with the Springfield Park District and our efforts to keep our parks beautiful and growing! We'll see you at the Earth Awareness Fair this Saturday!

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