

Justice Park Volunteering



ACTION

On May 21st, 2023, we volunteered at Justice Park! We participated in a cleanup program that aims to rid natural habitats from invasive species. From poison ivy to garlic mustard, we attempted to take care of the majority of the park. We hope to care to several other parks in order to clean the environment in Northern Virginia!

EXPERIENCE

The cleanup was a tedious but rewarding process. First, we received instructions on how to pull the species out from the ground delicately. Once we understood, we got straight to work!

We filled up several trash bags with the plants we pulled! Although it was super hot and many areas were invasive, we were rewarded with the understanding that this park was cleaner than what we first saw. We hope this same gratification will follow us for a long time coming!

MEMBER'S THOUGHTS

It was encouraging to see everyone work so hard, and how we achieved the many trash bags. The amount of invasive species is enormous, especially where we live, which is why it is important to experience these programs. Despite the warm weather and the constant poison ivy, we got to clean the environment yet again. We hope to come to more local parks and do the same!