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It Takes Just 15 Minutes

Here's an easy way to make a difference: Dare colleagues, classmates, friends and family to spend one coffee break from April 22 to 28 picking up litter or reporting graffiti.

It's all part of the fourth annual [15 to Clean Challenge](#). Pick up your free GLAD cleanup kits at any Edmonton Public Libraries starting April 15. Not only will you get a garbage bag and plastic glove, but this year GLAD is giving away 5,000 recyclable blue bags too.

Once you're done, fill out our [survey](#) so you can enter to win a computer tablet at [CTV Edmonton](#) or [The Edmonton Sun](#).

Early Bird Draw Nets Two Winners

Two 2013 Adopt-a-Block volunteers will have more than litter-free blocks to look forward to when they finish their weekly patrols over the next few months.

Alex Ropchan, a two-year volunteer, and Lorrie Sorge, who's been with the program for four years, each won a Tim Hortons Brewer and the program sponsor's signature coffee in Capital City Clean Up's Early Bird Draw.

They were part of 446 returning volunteers who signed up for [Adopt a Block](#) in February. Registration will continue until April 25.

Got Graffiti Vandalism? We Help Get Rid of It

If you've been vandalized by graffiti, our [Professional Graffiti Cleaning Program](#) can help.

We'll pay professionals to clean the mess once a year up to a maximum of \$500. You just have to take a photo of the vandalism, report it to your nearest police station and complete an [Professional Graffiti Cleaning application form](#) with the police report file number.

Once we've approved your application, our contractor will do an onsite estimate. If the amount is over \$500, we'll let you know so you can decide how you want to proceed.

Clean Up Kits are Here

Clean Up Kits are now available to registered Adopt-a-Block volunteers. Bring your Clean Up Kit Exchange Card to the [Commonwealth Community Recreation Centre](#), [Jasper Place Fitness and Leisure Centre](#), [Grand Trunk Fitness and Leisure Centre](#), [Mill Woods Recreation Centre](#), [Terwillegar Community Recreation Centre](#), the [CCCU office](#), and for pre-registered participants at the safety orientation session at City Hall's Heritage Room on April 20, 10:30-11:30am.



Left to right: Lorrie Sorge, Tim Hortons Operations manager Peter Zalucky, and Alex and Martha Ropchan

Spread the Word!

Let your neighbours know about the program, and if you see graffiti vandalism, report it to 311.

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