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Come Help Ocean Ridge PD Clean Up the Beach

Ocean Ridge, FL (October 03, 2017) Come join forces with the Ocean Ridge Police Department for the first annual Beach Sweep that will take place on Saturday, October 14th, 2017 from 9:00 AM till Noon at Ocean Front Park (6415 N. Ocean Blvd) in Ocean Ridge, FL. The Ocean Ridge Police Department will provide trash bags, gloves and at the conclusion, we will provide a hot lunch consisting of hot dogs, hamburgers and light refreshments as a show of appreciation.

Due to the recent hurricane that impacted South Florida, there is a need to clean up the debris left behind on the beaches. There is no disputing that the beaches are our greatest resource and they need our help. Hurricane Irma left behind large amounts of trash, vegetation, and other miscellaneous items on our beaches. The trash left behind is harmful to the local wildlife and destroys the beauty of the beaches. Hurricane Irma impacted our entire community and we are asking for your help. Please join us for a day of giving back by helping us remove unwanted debris from our beaches.

We ask that volunteers arrive between 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM and park in the designated areas of the lower level of Ocean Front Park. There will be a short briefing at the north pavilion and then volunteers will be transported to their starting locations. Volunteers will work their way back to Ocean Front Park picking up any debris they find along the way. Volunteers will place the debris in trash bags provided by the Ocean Ridge Police Department and leave them on the beach. Officers on ATV's will come by and pick them up. From there, the trash will be placed in the dumpster, safely removing the trash from the beach.

Please join us on Saturday, October 14, 2017 from 9 AM till Noon for a day of giving back. If you would like to help or have any questions, please contact Officer Philip Salm with the Ocean Ridge Police Department at 561-732-8331 or psalm@oceanridgeflorida.com.

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