

Who we are

We host habitat restoration workdays, nature hikes, social gatherings, and attend educational opportunities. At weekend workdays we remove invasive plants, gather and spread seeds, and more. After hard, satisfying work, we gather around the brushpile fire for brats and s'mores, or picnic under the summer sun. Everyone is welcome! We'll show you the basics and help you discover the overlooked ecological treasures within miles of our city.

We welcome all ages! Most of our volunteers are in their 20s, 30s, and 40s (we kept getting older, so we pushed the age up), but we'll put you to work no matter what age you are. Kids of volunteers are welcome, too, though parents will be expected to closely supervise their offspring.

Check out Habitat2030.org regularly for upcoming events and chances to

- Connect with your nature.
- Restore native habitat
- Discover adventures in ecology, conservation, and cooking over coals
- Meet incredible people doing good 'n' dirty work.

Events

► **APRIL 11, 10a-12p**

Whistler Woods Forest Preserve

678 W 134th St, Riverdale, IL

Come learn the Calumet Region is so unique--and why it needs volunteers to restore it. We'll work alongside the Student Conservation Association, identify plants, and kick it around a bonfire.

<http://fpdcc.com/location/whistler-woods/>

► **MAY 16 , 1p-4p**

Nature Block Party and Wetland Planting

**Eggers Grove Forest Preserve,
11200 S Ave E, Chicago, IL**

Many hands are needed to install two thousand wetland plants. Block party + nature = awesome.

<http://fpdcc.com/eggers-grove/>

► **JUNE 13, 10a-12p**

Beaubien Woods Celebration

1 W Doty Ave. S, Chicago, IL

Hike the site, try some summertime stewardship, and celebrate afterwards with good food and drinks with Habitat 2030

<http://fpdcc.com/beaubien-woods/>

► **JULY 25, 10a-12p, Stick around from**

12-1 pm for a BBQ/potluck

Discover Dune Habitat at Rainbow Beach Dunes

873 E 75th St, Chicago, IL

Dune habitat in Chicago. Need we say more? Get to know this Chicago Park District site in its summer glory, learn about the history of southern Lake Michigan dune ecosystems, and help restore RBD.

<http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/parks/rainbow-beach-park/>

Before you go

For our habitat restoration workdays, all you need is a pair of tough shoes or boots, a sweatshirt and coat if it's cold, long pants, long-sleeved shirt, a water bottle, and a hat. We'll supply work gloves and tools.

We strongly recommend against nylon or other synthetic fabrics, as sparks from the fire will melt holes in them.

Come rain, cold, or shine—we only stop work in downpours and lightning storms. When in doubt, check our web site, where we'll post rare cancellations if necessary.

We encourage carpooling. For help finding a ride, e-mail us at: 2030south@gmail.com.

About

Habitat 2030 is a group of dynamic young volunteers who care about the remarkable natural areas of the Chicago region. We are continuing the illustrious history of local volunteer stewardship and helping to build a culture of 20-30-40-somethings who will understand and care about our preserves long into the future.

Connect

To RSVP and for questions: 2030south@gmail.com

<http://habitat2030.org/>

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Resources

Calumet Stewardship Initiative
calumetstewardship.org/events

Forest Preserves of Cook County (FPCC)
fpdcc.com/volunteer

The Chicago Wilderness
<http://www.chicagowilderness.org/what-you-can-do/volunteer>

Outside Calendar
<http://cassisaari.com/outsidecal>

The Field Museum
<http://www.fieldmuseum.org/explore/department/ecco/get-involved>

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