



SPR Stewards of Saco Parks event July 16, 2022

Stewards of Saco Parks is a volunteer initiative to help steward parks in our community. The goal of this group is to cultivate outdoor social environments for visitors, support ecological habitats, and enhance the aesthetic appearance of city parks

We are excited to announce our first volunteer work session for the 2022 season. Here are the details:

Location: Jubilee Park (island park located off of Water Street, access through the covered bridge)

Date: this Saturday, July 16th

Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Tasks: We will work together to weed and transplant in the shade perennial beds at the park's entrance in advance of our summer concert series. Specific tasks include: trimming by the entrance of the park at the covered bridge; filling in small holes around the park to reduce injury; plant flowers if available in old tree stump, and cut invasive vines (Bittersweet) to protect trees.

Equipment: Please wear sturdy shoes and work clothes. Please bring a water bottle, sunscreen, bug spray and anything else you need to be comfortable working outside.

Tools - please bring any of the following items you may have: Shovels, Wheelbarrows, Gloves, Trash bags, Hand pruners, Rakes, 2–5 gallon buckets

Weather: We plan to work rain or shine.

During this session, Saco Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Members will lead a discussion on:

- evaluating the soil and light of a particular growing area
- design strategies for new and established plantings
- plant & weed identification

Save-The-Date for upcoming Stewards of Saco Parks events:

August 20th: Back-To-School garden prep at Pepperell Park/Fairfield School

September 17th: Downtown beautification at the Saco Transportation Center

October 15th: Bulb Planting! Location(s) TBD

Questions? Please contact SPR Director, Ryan Sommer at rsommer@sacomaine.org. Thank you!