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## Groups, Volunteers Team Up To Clean Squantum Point Park



EMPLOYEES FROM Hines, Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, and Department of Conservation and Recreation teamed up to clean Squantum Point Park Oct. 19

Save the Harbor/Save the Bay teamed up with the Department of Conservation & Recreation (DCR) and 20 volunteers from Hines Oct. 19 for a cleanup at Squantum Point for the fifth year in a row.

Geared with gloves, bags and trash pickers, the volunteers removed truckloads of invasive weeds and debris from the trails and shoreline. Since it was founded in 1957, Hines has always been committed to giving back to their community. On Tuesday afternoon their team did just that.

"Today's cleanup gave us the chance to work together as a team with Save the Harbor for a great cause," said Hines Office Manager Kelly Shom. "It's a great to help DCR and our community by keeping Squantum Point clean."

At the site, the team collected a total of 15 bags of trash from the trails and shoreline of Squantum Point, a former Naval airfield adjacent to Marina Bay that offers healthy open space with great views of the Boston Skyline and the Boston Harbor Islands.

Save the Harbor/Save the Bay Executive Director, Chris Mancini said that the group is always proud to partner with the enthusiastic volunteers from Hines. "They make it fun to do the hard work it takes to help keep public spaces well maintained for everyone to enjoy," said Mancini.



FROM LEFT RIGHT: Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Program Director Kristen Barry, Hines Senior Project Accountant, Laura Bishop, Hines Office Manager, Kelly Shom and DCR's Recreation Facilities Supervisor Stephanie Litterio pick up trash along the shore at Squantum Point.

"Thanks to Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the volunteers from the Hines Company for taking the time to clear trash and debris from the shore and trails at Squantum Point," said Rep. Tackey Chan, who serves on the Metropolitan Beaches Commission. "It is important to the neighborhood and the city, and we appreciate their efforts."

"Squantum Point is a great place to explore, take a hike or just enjoy our beautiful shoreline," said Rep. Bruce Ayers. "Thanks to Save the Harbor/Save the Bay and the volunteers from Hines for caring about our community and taking care of Squantum Point each year."

Save the Harbor/Save the Bay is a non-profit, public interest harbor advocacy organization made up of thousands of citizens as well as civic, corporate, cultural, and community leaders and scientists. Their mission is to restore and protect Boston Harbor, Massachusetts Bay and the marine environment and share them with the public for all to enjoy.

To find out more about Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, visit their website at [savetheharbor.org](http://savetheharbor.org) and follow @savetheharbor on social media.