

Cayuga Lake Watershed:

The area of land where water from ditches, streams, springs, and wetlands all flow to Cayuga Lake.

860 square miles!

Stretches across Cayuga, Seneca, Tompkins, Schuyler, Tioga, and Cortland counties

and 44 municipalities!

Home to over 120,000 people *and* amazing wildlife

Osprey, trout and more!

We are the Great Lakes Headwaters

Our creeks and lake water drain north to Lake Ontario, and eventually to the Atlantic Ocean through the St. Lawrence Seaway.

We have a responsibility to ourselves as residents and to everyone downstream to protect these lands and waters for generations to come.



The Cayuga Lake Watershed Network advocates for the health of Cayuga Lake and its watershed in a changing world.

It takes a Network to protect a watershed. Join us!

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PROTECT WATER & WILDLIFE



Embrace the Lake!

LITTER CLEAN-UPS FOR
CAYUGA LAKE WATERSHED

How does litter impact our waterways?



When we don't dispose of plastic properly, it can end up in our creeks and lake. Litter is washed into storm sewers and roadside ditches during rainstorms and carried downstream.

Wind, waves, and sunlight break larger plastics into smaller pieces, called microplastics. Wildlife can mistake small pieces of litter and microplastics for food and accidentally eat them.

Every year, hundreds of people from across our watershed join together to clean up our waterways and remove thousands of pounds of litter!

Salamander Creek Cleanup



Organize a clean-up

Organize your own clean-up with family, friends, neighbors, club, or a community group.

There's no better way to increase your positive impact on our watershed than by getting others to join you!

**WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU WITH
YOUR CLEANUP. FOLLOW THESE
STEPS TO GET STARTED!**



Litter Cleanup Checklist

- ☐ ASSEMBLE YOUR TEAM:

- ☐ PICK A DATE & SET A TIME:

- ☐ CHOOSE A LOCATION:

- ☐ SEND AN EMAIL TO
PROGRAMS@CAYUGALAKE.ORG

We can help with the next steps: promote your event, loan you supplies, share safety checklists, coordinate litter disposal, and more!

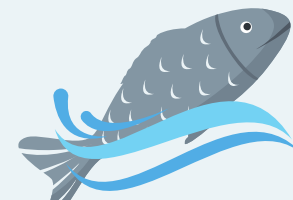
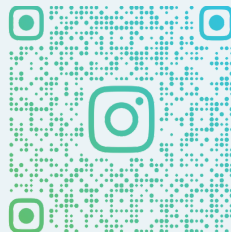
By participating in litter cleanups, you are caring for the health of your watershed.
It's GOOD FOR...

THE ENVIRONMENT and YOUR COMMUNITY



Inspire others to act!
Help spread the word by sharing your litter cleanup stories with us to be highlighted on the Cayuga Lake Watershed Network's website and on social media!

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**THERE'S SO MUCH YOU
CAN DO TO HELP!**