

Event Guidelines



Turning your next volunteer event into a Take Pride in America[®] event is easy. Just follow these six simple guidelines, and be sure to add your event to our online calendar.

All Take Pride in America[®] events must:

1. Be publicized as a Take Pride in America event;
2. Feature prominent use of the Take Pride in America logo and/or banner;
3. Follow all appropriate laws and regulations, including, as necessary, obtaining permits and forms, meeting safety requirements, and securing volunteer agreements and parental approval;
4. Take place on public lands or private lands with the owner's consent and as long as there is a great public benefit;
5. Reflect a positive message of cooperation among state, federal and local governments, private enterprises, and/or civic organizations; and
6. Be an "on the ground" project, rather than an advocacy event.

Some examples of possible Take Pride in America projects or events include:

- Rehabilitating or creating natural habitats
- Constructing or maintaining trails, campsites or playgrounds
- Clean-ups (i.e., removing trash or debris from shorelines, riparian edges, roadsides, parks, schoolyards, etc.)
- Refurbishing, repairing or improving historical or cultural sites (i.e., painting, mending fences, improving access, etc.)
- Planting and maintaining gardens or trees
- "Hike a Mile, Mend a Mile" type activities
- Fundraising events that will aid in the protection of America's public lands, and natural, cultural and historic resources while meeting Take Pride's criteria
- Ceremonies celebrating the commencement or successful completion of a volunteer project (i.e., kick-off events and volunteer recognition ceremonies)

For further information about Take Pride in America, or to register an event, request a banner or logo, or obtain publicity materials, please visit www.TakePride.gov or contact our staff at TakePride@ios.doi.gov or (202) 208-5848.