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## **Volunteers Needed for 32<sup>nd</sup> Ijams River Rescue March 27**

Let's clean up this town! Volunteer registration is open for the 32nd Ijams River Rescue, presented by TVA, on Saturday, March 27, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Ijams Nature Center's annual communitywide event focuses on removing trash and tires from sites along the Tennessee River and its creek tributaries from the river's headwaters in Knoxville to the shores of Loudon County. This outdoor event is a great way to safely make a difference in the community for humans and wildlife.

Volunteers can register using an online, interactive site map accessible from the Ijams River Rescue page on Ijams' website at <https://www.ijams.org/ijams-river-rescue>. Slots are filled on a first-come, first served basis, and typically book quickly. The deadline to register is March 18 or until all slots have been filled.

Those wishing to sign up as a group should have all members register individually so that they each can complete a waiver and provide personal contact information should Ijams need to communicate with all volunteers at a particular site.

The 32nd annual Ijams River Rescue is sponsored by TVA; City of Knoxville Stormwater Engineering; Bio Plumbing, LLC; First Horizon Foundation; Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency; WestRock, Genera, Inc.; Knoxville TVA Employees Credit Union; Waste Connections; CAC AmeriCorps; and the Water Quality Forum.

Ijams Nature Center is a nonprofit, 315-acre educational nature center for all ages, abilities and walks of life. Ijams' mission is to encourage stewardship of the natural world by providing an urban greenspace for people to learn about and enjoy the outdoors through engaging experiences. Located just three miles from downtown Knoxville, Ijams features 12 miles of hiking and mixed-use trails, a public access river dock, swimming, boating, biking and more. The center offers hundreds of educational programs annually, from day camps and school field trips to outdoor and classroom education programs on beginner birding and hiking to wildflower walks and family adventures. The Ijams grounds and trails are open every day from 8 a.m. until dusk. The Visitor Center is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit [ijams.org](http://ijams.org) or call 865-577-4717.

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