



# City of Orange Township

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## ***News Release***

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### **Orange Launches City-Wide Clean Up Campaign**

On Saturday, April 4, 2009, at 12:30PM, at the Orange High School gym Mayor Eldridge Hawkins, Jr. will launch Orange's 2009 Spring Clean Up Campaign. The ceremony will take place immediately after the city's egg hunt and just before the scheduled basketball game. City officials will be present to recruit volunteers, distribute information about how to participate in the clean up campaign and hand out give-aways for children.

This year's clean up will be built around community involvement. Residents and their children, merchants, businesses, and property owners will be enlisted to work alongside city employees to clean up and beautify Orange's neighborhoods and business districts. The Board of Education will be holding events to involve students in the clean up.

Just a few of the clean up activities of city departments include:

Planning and Economic Development: Code Enforcement Sweep and Abandoned Properties Clean-Up

Public Works: Public property, vacant lot and park clean up, Main Street tree replacement and grate repair

Fire Department: Safety inspections and visits to schools

Police Department: Visits to Schools and stepped up bench warrant enforcement

Community Services: Seasonal Health and Safety Advisories, Volunteer recruitment at upcoming events, flower planting

Additional clean up activities will be announced weekly.

#### **Statement by Mayor Eldridge Hawkins, Jr.**

"In the past, Orange has held annual clean up campaigns. This year, we are focusing on community involvement and asking residents and businesses to join with us in sprucing up our city. The key is community pride and unity. The clean up will be much more successful if volunteers come forward to help us make and keep Orange cleaner and more beautiful."

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## **Pitch In. Keep Orange Clean.**



## **Community Pride. Spring 2009.**