



Robichaud High School J.R.O.T.C. Helps Keep Our Streets Beautiful

DEARBORN HEIGHTS MI – At the invitation of the Dearborn Heights Tax Increment Finance Authority (T.I.F.A.), more than a dozen cadets from Robichaud High School's Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps (J.R.O.T.C.) volunteered on Wednesday, June 11 to clean the sidewalks along a portion of Beech Daly Road just south of Annapolis. The group spent the afternoon pulling weeds, sweeping and removing rubbish.

Living up to their mission "To motivate young people to be better citizens," the Robichaud J.R.O.T.C. regularly volunteers throughout the community and participates in civic events when invited. The program is a model for other groups across the country thanks to the hard work and dedication of the students and their teachers, 1SG David Hayward and SFC Larry Williams.

"In addition to our past and ongoing projects, T.I.F.A. will soon be introducing some new activities aimed at improving the commercial properties in our area," said Carmine Oliverio, Dearborn Heights T.I.F.A. Director. "When the J.R.O.T.C. offered their services, we knew exactly where to start. It is our hope that others will follow the fine example set by these highly disciplined and accomplished young men and women."

The Dearborn Heights T.I.F.A. district has benefited from a number of improvement initiatives over the years. In addition, the T.I.F.A. office keeps an updated database of properties available for development in the district which it distributes to potential investors and developers. The list can also be found online at www.tifadh.com.

Plans are underway to continue the work started on Beech Daly, extending the clean-up down to Van Born. After this initial cleaning, it is anticipated that the individual business and property owners will continue to maintain the area.

For more information on the Robichaud High School J.R.O.T.C., contact their office at (313) 565-3853.



Picture Gallery



The highly disciplined students of JROTC helping store owners maintain their store's appearance on Colgate and Beech Daly.



JROTC students raking, sweeping, and collecting rubbish.