

Graffiti Abatement Program 2011

Keeping Our
Neighborhoods Safe and
Clean

Graffiti Abatement Coordinator ...1 FTE

- **Manage Graffiti Hotline - .3 FTE**
- **Facilitate Graffiti Task Force**
- **Enforce two city codes (14B.80 & 14B.85)**
 - **Inspect retailers for compliance with PCC14B.85**
 - **Represent GAP at Code Hearings**
- **Manage 2 databases (23,500+ reports)**
- **Coordinate cleanup -all property within City**
- **Supervise two contracts for private property cleanup**

Portland City Codes

14B.80 – Graffiti Nuisance Property

- ***Work with owners to facilitate cleanup***
- ***Provide free assistance to:***
 - *Owner-occupied residential properties*
 - *Some small businesses*
 - *Most non-profits*
- ***Mail abatement notices (av. 10 per wk)***
- ***Obtain administrative warrant for cleanup (8 since 1998)***

14B.85 – Graffiti Materials Sales

- ***Requires merchants to lock up or otherwise secure spray paints, tips, paint pens***
- ***Requires merchants to obtain photo identification and record purchaser information, including signatures, in sales log for 2 years***

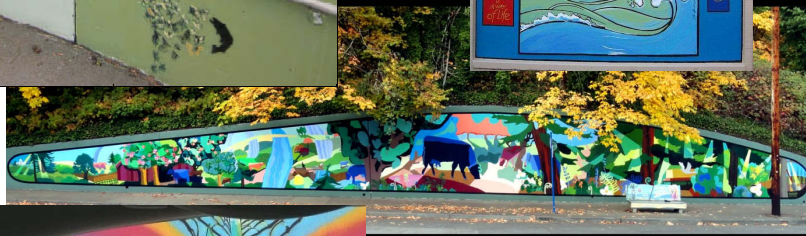
City Contractors – new contracts signed October 2011

- ***Private Properties (residential, small commercial, non-profit)...***
 - **Cleanscapes**
- **Graffiti Removal Services**

Graffiti Volunteer Coordinator 1FTE (start date April 16, 2011)

- Recruit & train volunteers
- Manage supplies for volunteers
- Document success of volunteer efforts including:
 - Analysis of results
 - Mapping
 - Compile hours
 - Provide ongoing retention activities
- Supervise Youth Walking Crew contract (IRCO)
- Oversee Small Grants to Coalitions (GAP \$\$)

Murals sponsored by GAP \$\$



Partially funded by GAP Small Grants

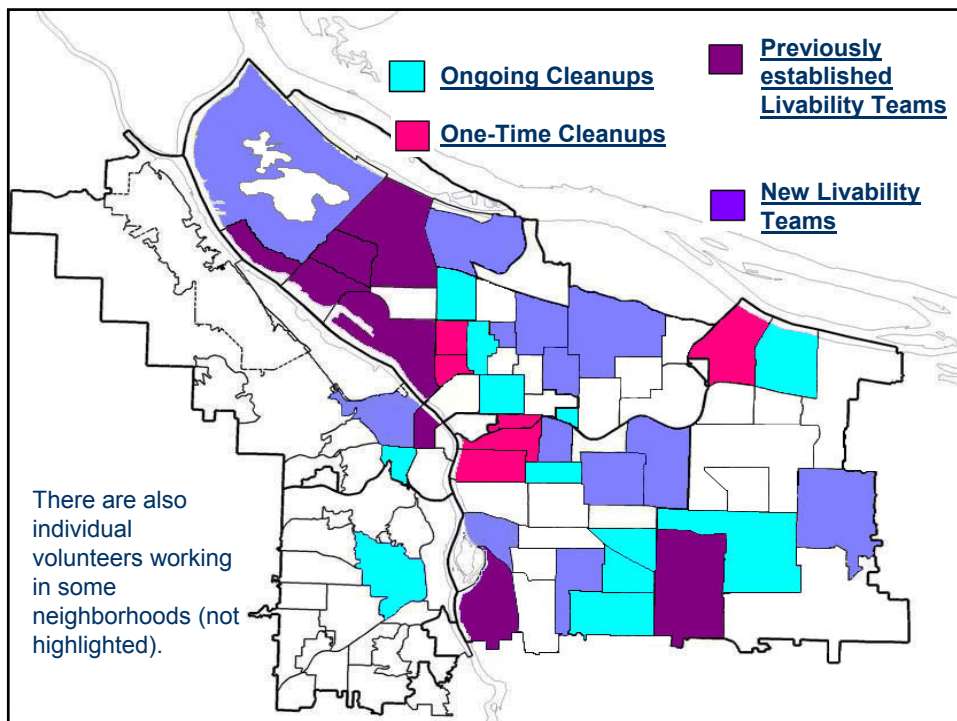
Graffiti Abatement Program VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers – 500+ signed up from community

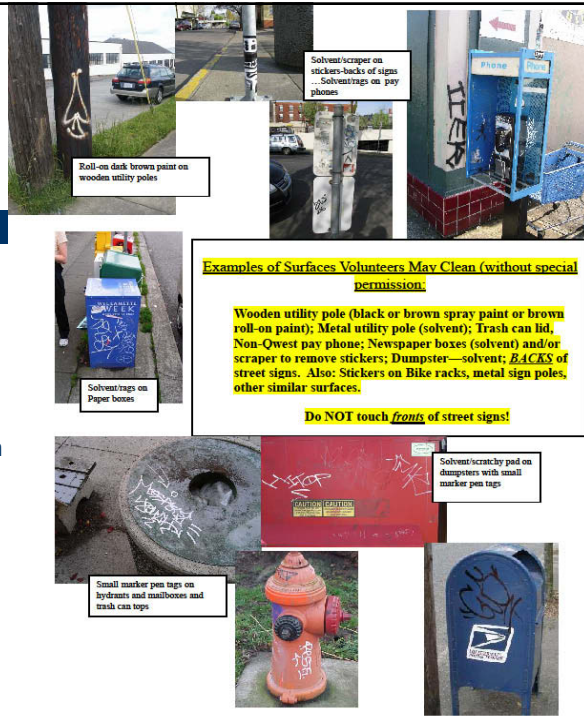
- **Community Volunteer Corps (CVC)** is homeless-to-work program
- **Saturday Morning Collaborative Cleanups**
- **Cleanups in response to group requests**
- **Special events**
 - GREAT program
 - Friends of the Children
 - Paint the Town Clean (sponsored by Alpha Broadcasting & Rodda Paint)

Graffiti Abatement Program VOLUNTEERS (cont'd)

- **Since April 2011**, volunteer coordinator conducted and/or facilitated 102 cleanups
- **By comparison**, from June to November 2010, there were 31 volunteer cleanups with 575 hours of participation
- **Results indicate** that there were 68 volunteer cleanups with 1,166 hours of participation during same six months in 2011, **more than doubling volunteer efforts in only one year**



Flyer given to volunteers showing typical RoW properties they can clean



Graffiti Task Force

- Started by Mayor Vera Katz in 1994
- Still meets 3rd Thursday every month
- Communication network of graffiti abatement partners shares information for mutual benefit
- Expanded to include regional partners including other law enforcement: Hillsboro PD; Tualatin PD, Washington Co Sheriff, Troutdale, Fairview, Vancouver and Clark Co agencies, Salem PD
- Friendly Streets (non-profit) Co-Sponsors of Graffiti Summit (April 19, 2011)

Assist Police and District Attorney

- Document incidents of graffiti
- Compile information including photos and property owner information from database for cases
- Testify to Grand Jury and Court
- Testify at Sentencing hearings

PPB Graffiti Investigation Unit **-additional productivity** (since 5/26/11)

- Arrests: 23
- Officer-related Case Follow up: 70 cases
- DDA-related Case Follow up: 10 cases
- Residential Search Warrant: 1
- Article Search Warrant: 2
- MSOCC: 3
- Graffiti Missions: 6
- FCRs: 7

Cont'd

- Self-initiated Reports Written: 48
- Subject Interviews – excl. arrest interviews: 23
- GTS Entry: 20 hours
- Citizen Contacts: 32
- Business Contacts: 59
- Other/Miscellaneous (includes meetings, media interviews, court, custody lists, training, stake outs, calls for service, etc: 63
- Days Detailed to Non-Graffiti Related Tasks for ½ shift or longer: 22

Notable Arrests/Prosecutions in 2010-2011

- YORK, CENCER,
- RELAPS, SPALER
- BSERK
- DEPTHS
- FUNBOY
- RODEO
- JEB/JEAB, LEER, METER, ENZO, PINK EYES...

Partners in Graffiti Abatement and Graffiti Task Force members

- **City Bureaus**
 - **Portland Dept of Transportation**
 - *Structures ...*
 - *Street Signs...*
 - *Traffic Lights and Poles...*
 - **Parks**
 - Park buildings and other properties
 - Springwater Trail
 - **Water Bureau...**
 - *Water tanks*
 - *Hydrants*
 - **Bur of Environmental Services**
 - *Hydra boxes*
 - **Office of Neighborhood Involvement – Crime Prevention**

Partners, cont'd

- **Port of Portland Police**
- **Portland State University – Campus Security**
- **Portland Community College – Campus Security**
- **Portland Business Alliance**
 - *Clean & Safe*
- **OR Dept of Transportation**
 - *Structures (sound wall, bridges)*
 - *Highway Signs*
- **Multnomah County**
 - *Bridges*
 - *Structures*
 - *Libraries*

Partners, cont'd

- **Metro**
 - *Pioneer Cemeteries*
 - *Parks, Glendoveer Golf Course, other Metro Properties*
- **Power Companies**
 - *PGE*
 - *PacifiCorp*
 - *NW Natural Gas*
- **Communications Companies**
 - *Qwest*
 - *FSH (pay phones)*
 - *Clear Channel Billboards*
 - **TriMet (public transportation)**

What You (the public & City Council) Can Do:

○ Report it

- Call Graffiti Hotline 503-823-4824
- Use iPhone, etc. to make online report
- Use Public Portal to make online report

○ Document it

- Take a picture of the graffiti – make sure we can see it to read it

○ Remove it

- If it's on your property
- If you've signed as a volunteer and received materials for right-of-way property removal

○ What City Council Can Do:

- Please Keep Funding Whole for ONI & PPB

Thank You

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