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## Wayne County CLEANS Up for Third Year

**WAYNE COUNTY, MI — December 11, 2006** Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano's illegal dumping initiative has completed its third successful year.

The County Lending Environmental Assistance to Neighborhoods, or CLEAN program, managed by the County's Department of Environment, has eliminated 19 illegal dumpsites in Wayne County, with plans to tackle 10 more in 2007. Under the program, Wayne County cleans up illegal dump sites, then partners with neighborhood groups who sign an agreement to monitor the site and keep it clean in the future.

"The CLEAN program has been a success story of innovation and cooperation with neighbors who are serious about fighting illegal dumping," said County Executive Ficano. "We provide the jump start for residents to remove illegal dump sites so they can keep them clean in the future. These are the building blocks that bring neighborhoods back to life."

Wayne County residents interested in a CLEAN project can obtain an application by calling the Department of Environment at (734) 326-3936 or by visiting their website at [www.wcdoe.org](http://www.wcdoe.org).

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