



## **Saturdays in March--the 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>**

Help restore vital wetlands to their natural beauty

Parts of the Staten Island Bluebelt were heavily littered with debris in the wake of Hurricane Sandy. **We invite you to join us on Saturdays in March--the 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>—to help restore these vital wetlands to their natural beauty.**

Volunteers will help collect trash and other light debris washed into the Bluebelt by the storm surge. The events will take place from 9:30am to 1:00pm in the Midland Beach area of Staten Island.

To volunteer, please email [DEPVolunteerDay@dep.nyc.gov](mailto:DEPVolunteerDay@dep.nyc.gov). Thank you in advance!

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## **The Adopt-A-Bluebelt Program**

Become a member

Local community groups, companies and individuals enhance Staten Island's open spaces by adopting parts of the Bluebelt. Adopters may hire private companies, as maintenance providers, to care for Bluebelt sites. Alternatively, adopters can maintain sites themselves. Each adopter's generosity is acknowledged with a sign at the adopted site.

Currently, 29,800 square ft. of the Bluebelt at 105 sites are maintained by volunteers! **We have sites available for adoption. Please contact us to learn more and begin your stewardship!**

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Play a vital role in supporting the Bluebelt—help to keep streams and wetlands pristine and protect them from pollution.