



**Marion County**  
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### **Volunteers Sought for April 18 Earth Day Weed Pull**

Join the City of Salem and Marion County for an Earth Day project on Kuebler Boulevard Saturday, April 18 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Check-in is between 8:30 - 9 a.m. at the Morning Star Community Church on the corner of 27th Avenue SE and Kuebler.

Volunteers will help remove Scotch broom along the roadside. Scotch broom is considered an invasive noxious weed and controls are needed along this section of road. Noxious weeds impact watersheds where they displace native and desirable plants, and negatively affect wildlife habitat. More information about noxious weeds is available from Marion County Weed District Advisory Committee at <http://www.co.marion.or.us/PW/Operations/weeds/>.

Participants should wear sturdy shoes and clothes for working outside. If the weather is wet, rain gear is helpful. Gloves and tools will be provided at check-in, and volunteers will receive instructions on removal techniques and safety procedures. Bottled water and snacks will be available to volunteers during the morning.

Please pre-register by phone, 503-588-7990, or e-mail, [volunteer@co.marion.or.us](mailto:volunteer@co.marion.or.us). Walk-ins are welcome on the day of the project.

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