



FOOTPRINTS MATTER TO ALL OF US

Pinal County Road Department

Attention: Anthony Heet

Thank you for the extra dumpster, trash sacks and especially for picking up ALL the tires, we could not have done this without your help.

Soroptimist International of Gold Canyon would like to thank you for your support and participation in the successful trash cleanup in the backyard of our community. 168 volunteers began showing up in semidarkness at 7:00AM, all dedicated to improving our local environment. We are so thankful for all the volunteers who made this a successful cleanup program. Approximately 35 organizations took part in this seemingly impossible task by providing manpower, food and drinks, supplies, trucks, trailers and heavy equipment.

Thanks to you we were able to clean up over 3000 acres as well as several major dump sites and approximately 35 tons of trash was hauled away. Mobile teams of volunteers followed GPS routes to pick up trash with the assistance of trucks, trailers and tractors. In less than 4 hours, the majority of volunteers were headed home with smiles on their faces and a great sense of accomplishment in their hearts.

The fact that the majority of the sites and areas that were part of our 2010 clean-up have remained trash free is a hopeful indication that people are less likely to leave trash in a clean site. We hope that this project will lead to further involvement with the community in protecting and maintaining our beautiful desert. The greater the public awareness and education about illegal dumping, illegal target shooting and littering that takes place in our own backyard, the greater chance that we all can deter those individuals who think it doesn't matter.

In an effort to continue this worthwhile endeavor, SIGC has developed a web site. Please visit www.footprintsmatter.org to see additional photos of the January 15th event, future events and information, and our partnerships with environmental groups Tread Lightly!®, Respected Access.org and Superstition Area Land Trust.

Thank you for making your footprints matter!

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