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# ***I Am Cleaning Miami***

***A Community Clean Up Event Swept Calle Ocho***



***Mayor Tomas Regalado Welcomes Volunteers to the "I Am Cleaning Miami" a Community Cleanup Event on Calle 8***



***Commissioner Francis Suarez, Vice Chairman Frank Carollo and Commission Chairman Wifredo “Willy” Gort are ready to join the volunteers in the cleanup effort of Calle 8, in Little Havana***



***Teams of volunteers get directions from Pablo Canton, Little Havana NET Administrator, before the start of the cleanup of Calle 8 from SW 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue***

On **Saturday, March 19, 2011**, Mayor Tomas Regalado, Commission Vice Chairman Frank Carollo, District 3, Commissioner Francis Suarez, District 4, and Commission Chairman Wifredo “Willy” Gort, District 1, welcomed and participated with groups of volunteers, merchants, civic and community organizations, city departments and staff in the **“I Am Cleaning Miami,”** a Community Clean Up Event, on **Calle 8, (8<sup>th</sup> Street SW) from 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue.**

At 8:00am, participants gathered in the parking lot of El Dorado Furniture, 2475 SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street, for breakfast and welcomes by the elected officials. Groups of volunteers hit Calle Ocho and side streets from 9:00am on. It was a joint effort of various city departments. The city’s **Public Works** provided pressure cleaning, and **Solid Waste** a garbage truck, fully staffed with tools and bags for the cleanup. **Neighborhood Service Workers**, from the city’s **Neighborhood Enhancement Teams Program (NET)** tackled graffiti and other jobs and the **Homeless Assistance Program** provided transportation for the volunteers. NET administrators and staff reached out to businesses in the area informing them of their responsibility to maintain and cleanup the right of way. Civic and community organizations, **Camara de Comercio Calle Ocho, Vecinos en Accion, Kiwanis of Little Havana, Abriendo Puertas and Connectfamilias** offered support and participation.

According to Mayor Regalado, this will be the first of other “I Am Cleaning Miami” events that will be taking place in the future in other parts of the city.

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