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St. Croix Encouraged to Join Major Downtown Christiansted Cleanup Effort Beginning Friday Morning

Cleanup begins Friday, your help needed

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The newly established group Friends of Christiansted, spearheaded by Ricky Messer and The Prince Street Crew, in collaboration with Christiansted Restaurant and Retail Association President Matt Ridgway, has announced a major clean-up initiative to revitalize and beautify Christiansted. This community-driven effort is scheduled to begin this Friday morning.

The initiative will see a collective effort from various stakeholders, including Public Works, the Bureau of Corrections, and the VI Fire Services. The focus will be on cleaning buildings, sidewalks, and streets, starting from Basin Triangle and extending to the

National Park Service along King Street.

As the initiative continues through the weekend, Saturday's efforts will concentrate on rejuvenating parts of Queen Cross St. and Company St. The culmination of this extensive clean-up effort will be on Sunday, where the team will tackle Queen Cross, Company, King Cross, and Church Street.

To enhance the effectiveness of this project, Friends of Christiansted has garnered support from key partners such as Schuster's Water Services, KJ Trucking and Water Delivery, among others. These organizations have committed their resources and expertise to aid the success of the clean-up, according to a release from the group. VI Industrial Services has also supported in a significant way, supplying materials for the cleanup.

Recognizing the crucial role of community involvement, Friends of Christiansted invites all volunteers to join the effort. Volunteers are encouraged to gather in front of the library at 8 am on Sunday, December 17th. This participation is vital in ensuring that no area is overlooked and that the clean-up is comprehensive.

This initiative represents more than just a physical clean-up; it's a testament to the community's unity and shared commitment to making Christiansted a cleaner, more beautiful town.