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## **IDOC Has Boots on the Ground for Highway Spring Cleaning**

INDIANAPOLIS, IN. - Warmer weather means it is time for spring cleaning in the Hoosier State – and Indiana's highways are no exception. This past weekend, the Indiana Department of Correction (DOC) completed a major statewide effort to clean up Indiana's highways during Trash Bash, which ran from April 3-27, 2017.

Work crews canvassed 681 miles of roads and highways, resulting in 7,186 bags of debris collected. In a repeat performance from last year the Putnamville Correctional Facility again collected the most trash accounting for almost a half of the program's total amount, with a total of 3,067 bags. To date, more than 25,000 bags of trash have been collected thru this program.

"Allowing offenders to assist in cleaning up Hoosier highways is one way for them to give back to the community," said IDOC Commissioner Rob Carter. "And we are proud of our accomplishment with year's Annual Trash Bash." This is the thirteenth year for the event.

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