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# Milligan volunteers remove graffiti in downtown Johnson City

MILLIGAN COLLEGE—A group of 80 Milligan College students and volunteers made a positive mark on downtown Johnson City last Saturday by removing graffiti and cleaning up trash.

“Since the inception of the Keep Johnson City Beautiful program, this is the largest group of vol-

unteers ever to clean the downtown area,” said Eva Hunter, coordinator of Keep Johnson City Beau-

tiful. “This number of volunteers will allow us to branch out past the historical section of Main Street.” The students concentrated their clean-up efforts on a four-block radius, bordered by State of Franklin, Market Street, Colonial Way and Commerce Street. The event was coordinated by the Keep Johnson City Beautiful program and Graffiti Hurts, a grassroots community education program dedicated to raising awareness about the harmful effects of graffiti and vandalism on communities.

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huge impact on the community in many different areas, but this clean-up event is a way to make a visible difference in just one day of service,” said Shannon Castillo, Milligan’s director of marketing and community outreach. “Businesses, residents and visitors to Johnson City will reap the rewards of this service project.”

For more information about Graffiti Hurts, contact Shannon Castillo at 423.943.0530. To learn more about Milligan’s Service Saturdays or LINC, email [linc@milligan.edu](mailto:linc@milligan.edu). “Milligan already has a



Milligan Freshman Taylor Campbell participated in the cleanup



Milligan students worked hard last Saturday to remove graffiti