

Stay connected with opportunities to protect and restore the Sound through volunteer and citizen science programs in Connecticut and New York.

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Volunteer Newsletter | November & December 2025

Thanks for your interest in protecting Long Island Sound! Cooler weather doesn't mean it's time to stay inside -- there are plenty of volunteer events across Connecticut and New York this November and December.

From habitat restoration to tree and marsh plantings, there are opportunities for everyone to get outside and help keep Long Island Sound healthy.

CONNECTICUT VOLUNTEER EVENTS

Save the Sound Cleanups: November

- Madison – Madison Surf Club – Tuesday, 11/4, 1–4pm
- Stamford – Cove Island Park – Saturday, 11/8, 1–3pm

Please RSVP for each cleanup you'd like to join as a volunteer. This ensures we have enough supplies for everyone and can keep you informed about any weather-related changes.

Register Now

Join CT DEEP's Volunteer Water Monitoring Program

Help protect Connecticut's rivers, lakes, and Long Island Sound! Join the CT DEEP Volunteer Water Monitoring Program and help track water quality across Connecticut. Your data supports conservation and protects local waterways. Click below to learn more and sign up.

Learn More

Shark Egg Case Survey with Living Sharks Museum

The Rhode Island Eggcase Survey (RIES) organized by Living Sharks Museum, is actively monitoring public beaches across RI for all elasmobranch (sharks, skates, & rays) eggcases. The data is being compiled as part of a coastal species monitoring initiative. As a citizen science opportunity, local beachcombers can sign up and report their finds! Visit www.livingsharks.org/eggcase for more info.

This Rhode Island opportunity is included since it's an easy trip for southeastern CT residents and supports the shared Long Island Sound watershed.

Citizen Science Opportunity!

RHODE ISLAND EGGCASE SURVEY



**LIVING SHARKS
MUSEUM**
RIES | 2022-2027

Sign Up!
RHODE ISLAND
**BEACHCOMBERS
WANTED!**

The Rhode Island Eggcase Survey (RIES) organized by Living Sharks Museum, is actively monitoring beaches across RI year-round for all elasmobranch (sharks, skates, & rays) eggcases. The data is being compiled as part of a coastal species monitoring initiative.

Learn how to take part! Sign Up: livingsharks.org/eggcase | Follow IG: @livingsharksmuseum

NEW YORK VOLUNTEER EVENTS

Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor: Special Meeting

Join the Coalition to Save Hempstead Harbor at a special meeting on Issues and Activities Affecting Hempstead Harbor.

- Nov. 18, 7-8pm
- Glen Cove Ferry Terminal Building

Please RVSP by Nov. 14: RSVP@thecshh.org.



CSHH Invites You to a Special Meeting:

ISSUES & ACTIVITIES AFFECTING HEMPSTEAD HARBOR



NOVEMBER 18 • 7:00 - 8:00 PM*
GLEN COVE FERRY TERMINAL BUILDING
73 GARVIES POINT ROAD, GLEN COVE, NY
Advanced RSVP required by 11/14: RSVP@thecshh.org
**Join us for light refreshments following the presentation*

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Halloween Beach Cleanup

Get ready for some spooky fun at the 4th annual Halloween Beach Cleanup at West Meadow Beach.

- Saturday, Nov. 1, 10am - 12pm
- [West Meadow Beach](#)

Advance registration is requested! Click below to sign up.

Sign Up

Sunken Meadow Sixth Annual Beach Cleanup

Join AMCS for their annual Sunken Meadow State Park beach clean-up.

- **Saturday, Nov. 22, 1pm**
- **[Sunken Meadow State Park](#)**

Please join the Atlantic Marine Conservation Society to clean the beach and monitor for wildlife. This time of year, it's more important than ever to be walking the beaches on the lookout for cold-stunned sea turtles.



[Learn More & Register](#)

VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHTS

**406 Pounds of Trash Uplifted Along with
Volunteers' Spirits**



About 50 volunteers joined the Aug. 16 kickoff of the 2025 #DontTrashLISound campaign along the New Haven shoreline, removing 406 pounds of trash in just two hours. Families, local groups, and even a visiting book club pitched in to protect Long Island Sound and keep the coast clean. [Read more about the event and the volunteers' experiences.](#)

[Read the Full Story](#)

If your organization would like its volunteer event advertised in this volunteer e-newsletter, our Volunteer Opportunities web page, or on our social media channels, please email Erica Casper at erica.casper@uconn.edu.

Further Information

- [Long Island Sound Volunteer Opportunities](#)
- [What You Can Do To Protect Long Island Sound](#)
- [Long Island Sound Partnership Website](#)

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