

# UMassFive News

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## UMassFive College Credit Union Participates in River Clean Up



Pictured: Volunteers from UMassFive and South Hadley Volunteer Conservation Corps pose with trash collected from Beachgrounds Park in South Hadley

Hadley, MA – UMassFive College Federal Credit Union (UMassFive) employees volunteered to clean up the banks of the Connecticut River as part of the 25<sup>th</sup> annual Connecticut River Conservancy (CRC) Source to Sea Clean Up.

In early October, Seven UMassFive employees joined forces with the South Hadley Volunteer Conservation Corps to clean up the riverbanks and wooded areas of Beachgrounds Park in South Hadley. Volunteers collected many bags of trash, bottles, cans, needles, and several large items like a tire and a water-ski, leaving the park cleaner and more accessible for all to enjoy.

“This is the second year that we’ve participated in the cleanup,” shares Cait Murray, UMassFive Community Outreach Manager. “Our Credit Union began serving the Town of South Hadley in 2019, and this was a way that we could begin immersing ourselves in the community. Sustainability is a major focus for UMassFive, so working with the CRC and South Hadley Volunteer Conservation Corps was a logical partnership for us.”

As of the time of this release, tallies from the total program’s efforts for trash collected are still being compiled. For more information about the Source to Sea Cleanup, please visit [www.ctriver.org/our-work/source-to-sea-cleanup](http://www.ctriver.org/our-work/source-to-sea-cleanup).

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