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**Media Opportunity:
Youth & City Team Up as Part of PeaceJam 2015**
1:30-2:30, Saturday, April 18

What: The City of Springfield is teaming up with youth participating in the University of Oregon's (UO) PeaceJam conference to improve the Q-Street Floodway. Students and City staff will plant between 300-600 native trees and shrubs and pick up litter along the By-Gully Bike Path. The project aims to improve the area's water quality and habitat by planting native vegetation and removing litter. Plants will come from the City's Native Plant Nursery.

Media Opportunity: Members of the media are encouraged to stop by from 1:30-2:30 p.m., Saturday, April 18 at the entrance of the By Gully Bike Path (at Mill Street and Fairview in Springfield).

Who: Between 20 and 30 youth will be working with City of Springfield staff to improve a local waterway.

Additional information: To learn more about the City of Springfield's efforts to improve and protect local water quality go to www.springfieldstreams.org

To find out more information about PeaceJam in the Northwest, visit <http://peacejam.org/affiliates/Northwest-8.aspx> or learn about PeaceJam's presence at the University of Oregon at <http://globaljustice.uoregon.edu/peacejam-2/>