



# CITY OF STUART PRESS RELEASE

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## **River Kidz and Treasure Coast Rowing Club Help City Plant Mangrove Trees in Poppleton Creek**

**Stuart, FL** – On Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, River Kidz (a youthful branch of the Rivers Coalition) and TC Rowing Club volunteers aided in the planting of mangrove trees and spartina plants as part of the water quality improvements tied to the Poppleton Creek Mangrove Park Watershed Project.

As part of Phase IV of the City's Poppleton Creek Watershed project, the project concept for Mangrove Park is to create tidal wetlands by constructing a meandering water quality treatment area to the existing uplands on the property. The tidal flows from Poppleton Creek will then be directed through the created mangrove wetlands and into the existing mangrove wetlands.

The new park will function with multiple purposes; primarily enhancing the water quality of river water that will be filtered through the system, providing new native habitat for both fish and wildlife, and increasing the aesthetic quality for residents and visitors. There will also be a public access trail and boardwalk as part of the final park improvements.

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