This past September, nearly 150 Veritas employees volunteered their time to help clean up one of San Francisco's most beloved landmarks, Golden Gate Park. In partnership with the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department, our team members provided support by getting their hands dirty and tending to the park's lush garden areas around Stow Lake.

On a beautiful day, this super-sized group of volunteers was divided into groups to tackle projects in two areas. One group was tasked with



cleaning up the area around a children's playground. They trimmed bushes and shrubs to define pathways, which are intended to encourage children to play in the natural surroundings, and added mulch to the steep pathway leading to the playground. They also raked the sand and cleaned out the areas under the play structures. This team ultimately cleared away truckloads of dead leaves, branches and debris to make the space feel safer and more welcoming.



The second group focused on tending to an area that is used for weddings. This team pulled weeds and invasive plant species out of the hillside, collected and disposed of trash, and covered the newly cleaned area with mulch. Happily ever after, indeed.

The result of the team's hard work-beautifying Golden Gate Park-aligns perfectly with Veritas' Spark mission of making an impact on the communities where we live and work.

