Hello, Neighbors! My name is Dustin Cordanza, creator of HYPE Time. HYPE Time exists to promote simple and effective ways to “Help Yourself and Planet Earth” (HYPE). We are a non-profit community action network focusing primarily on the Foothills Parks & Recreation District (FHPRD) area, but anyone anywhere is invited to “Join the HYPE”—in essence, to do good and feel good about doing it.

HYPE Time has three goals:

1. To raise awareness about the importance of sustainable living;
2. To divert and offset as much of our trash as possible; and
3. To reduce the amount of garbage that we create every day.

Between Earth Day and Halloween, 2020, the HYPE Time team expects to pick up over a ton of litter in our local public spaces. If that sounds like a lot to you, you’re right, it is. That much trash blowing around in our neighborhood is alarming! And proof of a growing problem that we cannot ignore. If we want a beautiful and clean community, we have work to do. In fact, we owe it to our children and grandchildren. I understand that not everyone can (or wants to) pick up litter, so I suggest composting, recycling, solar energy, and EV/hybrid vehicles as diversions and offsets for our carbon footprints. And, of course, more earth-friendly purchasing decisions along with a mentality of reusability and resourcefulness, in general.

If you like what HYPE Time is doing, please adopt one of these activities and make it a habit. If you share your efforts with me, I will add you to our growing list of partners and friends online. For more information, or to follow our progress, visit our website at hypetime.org (thank you for checking it out). When you’re there, you can see and RSVP for events, like our Sept. 17th weed abatement day in Clement Park, or our upcoming “5 parks in 5 days” program with FHPRD, Oct.4-10. You can also watch our videos. And if you really want to support our work, subscribe to our YouTube channel and click the bell to be notified when new ones are posted. In return, I will continue this work with and for you. DC