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The group will meet at the Salt Pond parking lot. Other beach cleanup locations include Leinster Bay, North and South Haulover, Hart Bay and Honeymoon Beach.

 An Earth Day Fair will be held for St. John and St. Thomas students on Monday at Powell Park.

The fair kicks off with a Litter Stomp Parade led by V.I. Waste Management's Litter Critter with a pizza party prize offered to the class in each school with the most creative Litter Stomp Crew. Booths at the fair are hosted by community organizations, businesses, and UVI students, covering subjects as diverse as coral reef protection, Cruz Bay history, birds, plants, turtles, recycling, and mangrove protection.

- Walk up trails volunteers will be planting trees on Tuesday, April 23, and Thursday, April 25. Over the last four years the Friends organization, supported by the V.I. National Park, local horticultural experts like Eleanor Gibney, countless volunteers and generous donors have cultivated and planted over 1,000 trees on the North Shore beaches to replace vegetation lost to storms, and to help increase soil stabilization and prevent erosion.
 - · On Wednesday, April 24, there

will be a community plant giveaway from 8 to 10 a.m. at the National Park Service Visitor Center Pavilion in Cruz Bay.

Earth Day presentation

Island Green Living and Sen. Milton Potter will host a Earth Day PLANET vs. PLASTICS presentation from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Monday, April 22, at the Gifft Hill School Upper Campus.

Led by Dawn Lisa Henry, former Department of Parks and Natural Resources commissioner, senior adviser to nonprofit Beyond Plastics, and Island Green board member, the USVI Earth Day PLANET vs. PLASTICS presentation and panel discussion will examine the plastic pollution crisis, the health and environmental dangers of plastics, and simple solutions one can implement now.

A Q&A will follow and attendees will walk away with an actionable checklist.

Light refreshments will be available and attendees are encouraged to bring their own reusable beverage bottles.

RSVP for Zoom and in-person attendance by email at kelly@islandgreenliving.org or call **340-998-4446.**