



City of Bentonville, Arkansas Adopt-A-Street Program

Program Information, Application & Agreement

Program Details:

The City of Bentonville Adopt-A-Street Program is a partnership between the city and the people who live and work in Bentonville to keep the city free of litter...one street at a time. Groups adopt a street $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile or more in length and agree to remove litter three (3) times per year. All groups are provided with safety vests and trash bags. The city will pick up filled trash bags after the clean-up event.

City of Bentonville Contact:

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Program Advantages:

- Clean streets encourage neighborhood pride and increase property values.
- Improve the attractiveness of the city.
- Reduce roadway pollution.
- Reduce water pollution.
- Increase public awareness of environmental issues.
- Reduce the cost of litter removal.
- People litter less in clean neighborhoods.

Participants:

- Businesses
- Church groups
- Civic associations
- Families
- Fraternities/Sororities
- Neighborhood organizations
- Non-profit organizations
- Etc.

Participant Responsibilities:

- Conduct a minimum of three (3) clean-up events per calendar year.
- Follow all safety guidelines for the Adopt-A-Street program (page 3).
- Contact the city prior to clean-up dates.
- Pick up supplies (safety vests, trash bags, gloves) from the city and distribute to volunteers.
- Return extra supplies to the city after each event.
- Place full trash bags and nearest major intersection and notify the city of the location.
- Submit the "Clean-Up Completion Form" to the city after each event (page 4).

City Responsibilities:

- Provide supplies (trash bags, safety vests, gloves).
- Collect and dispose of full trash bags after the event.
- After the first clean-up, install one "Adopt-A-Street" sign recognizing the participant.

Application & Agreement

Applicant Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Preferred Street Adopt (1/2-mile in length min.): _____

Name for Recognition Signage: _____

Staff Use Only:

Assigned Street & Section: _____

Agreement

By this agreement, the applicant and all of its authorized participants agree to abide by the program requirements and safety guidelines set forth by the City of Bentonville for the Adopt-A-Street program. The applicant will not hold the City of Bentonville responsible for any injuries suffered or damages that occur as a result of participation in this program. Applicants will automatically renew each year, unless they fail to complete the required number of clean-ups or they request to be removed from the program, at which time the signs will be removed.

The applicant agrees to the following:

1. Conduct a minimum of three (3) clean-up events per calendar year.
2. Follow all safety guidelines for the Adopt-A-Street program (page 3).
3. Contact the city prior to clean-up dates.
4. Pick up supplies (safety vests, trash bags, gloves) from the city and distribute to volunteers.
5. Return extra supplies to the city after each event.
6. Place full trash bags and nearest major intersection and notify the city of the location.
7. Submit the "Clean-Up Completion Form" to the city after each event (page 4).
8. Insure that no person under the age of 12 is permitted to pick up litter within the street right-of-way, and that all persons between the ages of 12 & 18 are accompanied by at least one adult per every five persons under age 18.

The city agrees to the following:

1. Provide supplies (trash bags, safety vests, gloves).
2. Collect and dispose of full trash bags after the event.
3. After the first clean-up, install one "Adopt-A-Street" sign recognizing participant.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of City Representative

Date

Safety Guidelines

- Consider attire to avoid sunburn and insect bites.
- Wear light colored clothing, heavy gloves, sturdy shoes or boots, and a hat.
- Wear high visibility safety vests as provided by the city.
- Take as few cars as possible to the clean-up site.
- Park vehicles clear of the roadway.
- Have a first aid kit on-site.
- Have a cell phone on hand.
- Use a buddy system and look out for each other.
- Be aware of traffic situations.
- Work facing on-coming traffic.
- Work during daylight, and non-peak traffic hours.
- Stop work if weather gets bad.
- Do not over-exert yourself, especially on hot days.
- Do not attempt to handle hazardous substances (car batteries, pesticide containers).
- Avoid noxious weeds (poison ivy, poison oak).
- Avoid any sharp objects. Do not pick up syringes – please contact Bentonville Police Department non-emergency number at (479) 271-3170.
- Avoid areas where snakes or stinging insects may be located.
- Do no pick up litter on bridges, tunnels or overpasses.
- Refrain from picking up on street pavement.
- Stay clear of construction activities.
- Never step out into the street.
- Cross streets only at crosswalks.
- Drink plenty of water to avoid dehydration.
- Don't overload bags or attempt to lift too much weight.
- Use common sense and be alert.



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Clean-Up Completion Form

After each clean-up event, please fill out this form completely, and return:

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Participant Information

Organization Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person Information

Contact Name: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Adopt-A-Street Assignment

Street Name: _____ Section: _____

Clean-Up Event Details

Clean-Up Date:			
Number of Volunteers:			
Approximate Total Number of Volunteer Hours Worked:			
Total Bags Collected:			
Clean-Up Event this Year:	1 st <input type="checkbox"/>	2 nd <input type="checkbox"/>	3 rd <input type="checkbox"/>

Comments
