

VILLAGE OF BEACH PARK
ADOPT-A-STREET PROGRAM



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PURPOSE: The Adopt-A-Street program allows private citizens to support municipal anti-litter efforts by allowing groups to adopt a section of Street for the purpose of litter collection. The following Sections set forth the uniform guidelines and requirements for the administration of Adopt-A-Street programs in the Village of Beach Park.

DEFINITION: For purposes of this Act:

"Group" means members or employees of civic or not-for-profit organizations, and commercial or private enterprises, who have requested to participate, or are participating in, an Adopt-A-Street program.

"Litter" means any unsightly or offensive matter that may include, but is not limited to, disposable packaging, containers, cans, bottles, paper, ashes, and cigar and cigarette butts. Litter does not include hazardous, heavy, large items, or carcasses.

"Group coordinator" means the individual selected by a group to serve as its liaison with a sponsoring jurisdiction.

"Group president" means the individual who is the recognized leader, president, or chairman for a group.

"Adopted section" means a length of municipal, township, county, or state right-of-way identified by the sponsoring jurisdiction as a safe, adoptable section of right-of-way for adoption by a group. Sections of right-of-ways may be determined inappropriate for adoption for safety reasons. No interstate roadway shall be an adopted section.

"Director" means the designee or designees for any municipality, township, or county who has responsibility for the administration of a jurisdiction's Adopt-A-Street programs.

"Sponsoring jurisdiction" means the Village of Beach Park or any municipality, township, or county that establishes Adopt-A-Street programs within its jurisdictional area.

PARTICIPATION IN ADOPT-A-STREET PROGRAM: Groups may apply to a sponsoring jurisdiction for participation in the jurisdiction's Adopt-A-Street program. The sponsoring jurisdiction shall establish the terms and procedures groups must follow in applying for participation in the Adopt-A-Street program.

AGREEMENT:

- (a) The sponsoring jurisdiction shall have sole responsibility in determining whether an application is rejected or accepted. If an application is approved, the group coordinator and group president shall execute a written agreement with the sponsoring jurisdiction that provides for the group's participation in the Adopt-A-Street program.

- (b) The agreement shall be in the form prescribed by the sponsoring jurisdiction and shall, at a minimum, contain the following:
- (1) an acknowledgment by the group of the hazardous nature of the work involved in participating in the Adopt-A-Street program;
 - (2) an agreement to comply with the terms and conditions in the ordinance and any other terms and conditions required by the sponsoring jurisdiction;
 - (3) an agreement that the volunteers or the volunteer's agents shall assume all liability for and hold the Village and the Village's agents or employees harmless from any and all claims of action resulting from the group's volunteers or agents work in the program, except for the negligent acts of the Village, and the Village's agents or employees;
 - (4) an agreement that the volunteers or the volunteer's agents shall assume all liability for and hold the sponsoring jurisdiction and the sponsoring jurisdiction's agents or volunteers or agents work in the program, except for the negligent acts of the sponsoring jurisdiction and the sponsoring jurisdiction's agents or employees;
 - (5) an agreement that the members of the group are jointly and severally bound by the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement; and
 - (6) the respective responsibilities of the group and the sponsoring jurisdiction as contained in this ordinance.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GROUP: Groups participating in an Adopt-A-Street program shall:

- (1) be required to obey and abide by all laws and regulations relating to safety and any other terms and conditions as required by the sponsoring jurisdiction;
- (2) provide one adult supervisor for every 5 youths (ages 10-18) when persons under age 18 are present on an adopted section; any minor between the ages of 10 and 18 must have written consent from a parent or guardian.
- (3) not allow a person under the age of 10 to be a member of the group who would be volunteering for the purpose of litter collection;
- (4) require all group members to attend a safety meeting conducted by the group before participation in any litter collection along an adopted section;
- (5) require the group coordinator, or designee, to conduct group safety meetings and to receive safety training as required by the sponsoring jurisdiction;
- (6) adopt a section for a minimum of 2 years;
- (7) collect litter along an adopted section 4 times a year, or as required by the director;

- (8) require the group coordinator to provide prior notice, as required by the director, whenever the group intends to collect litter along its adopted section;
- (9) require group members to properly wear any safety apparel provided by the sponsoring jurisdiction while collecting litter on an adopted section;
- (10) be responsible for prohibiting members from possessing, consuming, or being under the influence of alcohol or drugs while on an adopted section;
- (11) maintain a first-aid kit and an adequate supply of drinking water while members are collecting litter along an adopted section;
- (12) place litter in trash bags provided by the sponsoring jurisdiction and place filled trash bags at a location on the adopted section as designated by the director; and
- (13) not subcontract or assign its duties or responsibilities to any other group or organization.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF SPONSORING JURISDICTION: The sponsoring jurisdiction shall:

- (1) determine the specific section of right-of-way that is adopted;
- (2) erect a sign at the entrance of an adopted section with the name or acronym of the group displayed;
- (3) provide a group with garbage bags, safety vests and gloves
- (4) provide a group with safety apparel and signs cautioning the public, if required by the sponsoring jurisdiction; and
- (5) remove filled garbage bags from an adopted section as soon as practical after litter collection has occurred, and shall otherwise be responsible for removing litter from adopted sections only under unusual circumstances such as to remove large, heavy, or hazardous items.

SIGNS: Adopt-A-Street signs shall be uniform village-wide in terms of shape, color, text, and location. The Village of Beach Park shall develop and announce standards for Adopt-A-Street signs within 90 days of the effective date of this ordinance.

SAFETY TRAINING: The sponsoring jurisdiction shall develop the safety training programs that are to be utilized by group coordinators in compliance with this ordinance. Safety training programs shall be appropriate for the various types of roadway that may be adopted within a jurisdiction.

OTHER CONDITION:

- (a) A sponsoring jurisdiction may establish other procedures and requirements for the administration of its Adopt-A-Street programs. The procedures and requirements shall not be inconsistent with any provision of this ordinance.
- (b) The sponsoring jurisdiction shall have the right to terminate an agreement if a group does not meet the terms and conditions of its agreement, or if the group's involvement in the Adopt-A-Street program is inconsistent with any other restrictions or limitations established by the sponsoring jurisdiction.
- (c) No part of this ordinance shall prevent the execution of intergovernmental agreements.

PENALTY FOR LITTER CONTROL ACT VIOLATION:

- (a) An individual convicted of violating Section 4 or Section 5 of the Litter Control Act by disposing of litter upon a public Street may be required to adopt for 30 days a designated portion of that Street, including the site where the offense occurred.

By my signature, I acknowledge that I have read, understand and agree to the policies and procedures of the Village of Beach Park Adopt-A-Street Program as defined in this attachment.

Participant signature & phone number

Date

Village Official

Date