



City of Aurora

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Streets Maintenance

Dear Concerned Citizen:

Thank you for your interest in the City of Aurora's Adopt-A-Road program. In response to your inquiry, I'm enclosing the following:

1. Application for Adopt-A-Road program.
2. Adopt-A-Road program agreement.
3. Adopt-A-Road Waiver and Release of all claims.
4. Section 25 explaining participating groups responsibilities.
5. Section 30 explaining the City's responsibilities.
6. Adopt-A-Road Safety Rules and Regulations

Each participant is required to attend a safety training program, conducted by the group coordinator, and sign the waiver and release form before they are allowed to participate.

Participating groups should plan on picking up litter a minimum of four (40 times per year, between May 1 and October 1. If your group discontinues the program, please notify the Streets Division immediately.

Should you have any questions about the City of Aurora's Adopt-A-Road Program, please feel free to call the number below.

Sincerely,

Timothy Forbes
Superintendent of Streets
630-256-3680



APPLICATION FOR ADOPT-A-ROAD PROGRAM CITY OF AURORA

Organization Information

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

President,
Chairperson, etc. _____

Contact Person

Name _____

Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

Approximate number of Participants

Adults _____
Children 10 years
& over _____

Street Section(s) of interest:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Return completed form to:

City of Aurora
Division of Streets
Attn: Adopt-A-Road Program
720 N. Broadway Ave.
Aurora, IL 60505
Fax: 630-256-3689





ADOPT-A-ROAD AGREEMENT

The City of Aurora (Sponsoring Jurisdiction) and _____ (Group), recognize the need for litter free highways and are entering into this agreement in an effort to contribute toward maintaining litter free highways.

By signature below, the Groups acknowledge the hazardous nature of the work and agree to the terms and conditions set by the Sponsoring Jurisdiction and the Illinois Adopt-A-Highway Act.

The Group, its volunteers and agents shall assume all responsibility for, and hold the State of Illinois and the Sponsoring Jurisdiction (including their officials, employees and agents) harmless from any and all claims or actions resulting from the Groups volunteers' or agents' work in the program, except for the negligent acts of the State of Illinois and the Sponsoring Jurisdiction (including their agents and employees). The Group will require that all volunteers working on or assisting in the Program execute a "Waiver and Release of All Claims" form as provided by the City of Aurora before said volunteer or volunteers minor child or ward will be allowed to participate in the Program.

Members of the Group are jointly and severally bound by the terms and conditions of the agreement. The Group and the Sponsoring Jurisdiction will fulfill their respective responsibilities as set forth in Section 25 and 30 of the Illinois Adopt-A-Highway Act. A copy of those sections is attached as an appendix and is expressly incorporated by reference.

The Sponsoring Jurisdiction recognizes and approves the Group as the adopting organization for _____ section of highway/street, and the Group accepts the responsibility for picking up litter on this section for a period of time beginning _____ and ending _____.

Name of Group	_____
Group President	_____ Date _____
Group Coordinator	_____ Date _____
Director/Sponsoring Jurisdiction	_____ Date _____



ADOPT-A-ROAD

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS

NAME: _____

GROUP: _____

In consideration of the City's acceptance of this entry in the above Project, I for myself, any heirs, executors, administrators and assigns and for my child or ward, if applicable, forever release and discharge any and all rights, demands, claims and causes of suit or action, know or unknown, whether arising now or in the future or my child or ward, if applicable, that I may have against the City of Aurora, the State of Illinois and any and all adjoining property owners, and any other participating sponsors and officers, employees and agents of such parties, for any and all injuries, including death and property damage in any manner arising or resulting from my participation in said Project. I agree to indemnify and hold the City of Aurora, the State of Illinois and all adjoining property owners and any of their servants, agents, officials or employees free and harmless from any liability, loss, cost or expense including attorney fees, which may result from me or my child's or ward's participation in the Project activities. I agree that I am fully responsible for payment of all costs resulting from the rendering of medical aid and ambulance services to myself or my child or ward as a participant in the Project activities and I authorize that all necessary first aid steps may be taken as prescribed by qualified personnel. I grant full permission to use any photographs, videotapes, recording or any other record of the Project for any purpose. By signing below, I agree that I understand and consent to this statement.

X

PARTICIPANTS SIGNATURE

X

PARENT'S SIGNATURE

(If Participant is a Minor)

X

DATE

Illinois Adopt-A-Highway Act.

(605 ILCS 120/25)

Sec. 25. Responsibilities of the group. Groups participating in an Adopt-A-Highway 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 when persons under age 18 are present on an adopted section;
- (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 trashbags provided by the sponsoring jurisdiction and place filled trashbags 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.

(Source: P.A. 87-1118.)

(605 ILCS 120/30)

Illinois Adopt-A-Highway Act.

Sec. 30. Responsibilities of the sponsoring jurisdiction. The sponsoring jurisdiction shall:

- (1) determine the specific section of right-of-way that is adopted;
- (2) erect a sign that conforms with Section 35 at each end of an adopted section with the name or acronym of the group displayed;
- (3) provide a group with garbage bags;
- (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.

(Source: P.A. 87-1118.)



ADOPT-A-ROAD

SAFETY RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. One adult supervisor for every five (5) kids. No children under 10.
2. Wear long sleeves, long pants, leather shoes or boots, gloves and a hat.
3. Dress for the weather, it is easier to take a jacket or sweater off than to put one on, that you didn't bring along.
4. All participants must wear safety vests.
5. Work as one group; don't break off into smaller groups.
6. Pick one side of the road at a time, always facing oncoming traffic.
7. Don't sit on guardrails or culverts, they may have sharp edges.
8. Lift properly – keep back straight, use your leg muscles, not your back muscles.
9. DO NOT pick up carcasses, tree limbs, heavy objects, or objects that appear questionable.
10. Be careful of poison ivy, poison oak, and stinging insects.
11. No horse play. It's dangerous not only for your crew; it can also be distracting to drivers and could cause an accident.
12. If application information remains the same, there will be no need to contact the city if your group discontinues the program. Please notify the Street Division immediately.