

# Shawnee Adopt-A-Spot

## Helping Keep Our Community Beautiful!

The City of Shawnee's **Adopt-A-Spot** program is designed to give volunteers an opportunity to contribute to the maintenance, improvement, and beautification of our community.

### Who can volunteer?

Anyone can volunteer to **Adopt-A-Spot**. These projects are best done in groups, but the group can be of any size and the participants can be any age. All minors must be supervised and children under 12 are limited to park and stream clean-ups. The Volunteer Coordinator will help you locate a spot that is the right fit for your group.

### Where can we adopt?

Groups can adopt parks, streams, or streets within the City of Shawnee. If there is a spot that is special to your group (like a park near your home or a street near your business), let the Volunteer Coordinator know and she will see if it is available. However, the City of Shawnee does have the right to refuse proposed adoption spots for any reason. If you don't have a spot in mind, we can help you choose from a list of spots that are waiting to be adopted!

### What are we committing to?

Each group is committing to conducting at least four group clean-ups annually. After successful completion of two clean-ups, the City will place a sign at your spot to recognize your commitment to keeping Shawnee beautiful. Groups are expected to notify the Volunteer Coordinator at least two weeks in advance of each clean-up. Basic supplies and training will be provided.

### How do we get started?!

To get started, complete the application on the back of this page and return it to the Volunteer Coordinator at Shawnee City Hall. You will be contacted within two weeks to discuss your **Adopt-A-Spot** location. At this time you will receive information about program policies and safety guidelines. The Volunteer Coordinator will then make arrangements for your first clean-up and any necessary training.





## Adopt-A-Spot Application

THE CITY OF SHAWNEE, KANSAS ADOPT-A-SPOT PROGRAM IS PART OF AN EFFORT TO MAKE OUR STREETS, PARKS, AND STREAMS LITTER FREE. THE PROGRAM IS VOLUNTARY AND IS OPEN TO GROUPS THAT DO NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF RACE, RELIGION, COLOR OR SEX. EACH VOLUNTEER (ADOPTING) GROUP ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR AN ASSIGNED SECTION OF STREET, STREAM, OR PARK AND AGREES TO REMOVE LITTER AND TRASH A MINIMUM OF FOUR TIMES A YEAR FOR A TWO YEAR PERIOD. THE CITY OF SHAWNEE WILL WORK WITH THE ADOPTING GROUP TO SELECT THE SPECIFIC AREA TO BE ADOPTED. SOME AREAS MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS, USUALLY SAFETY RELATED.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION BELOW

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of group

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Name to appear on sign (30 letters/spaces maximum)

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Group mailing address

City

Zip Code

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Group contact person's name

Phone number

E-mail address

Approximate number of people participating in each clean-up: \_\_\_\_\_

Is there a particular "**Spot**" you are interested in adopting?

- Yes, we would like to adopt \_\_\_\_\_
- No, please assign us to the spot that needs us the most

Please return this form to:  
City of Shawnee  
Volunteer Coordinator  
11110 Johnson Drive  
Shawnee, Kansas 66203

You may also e-mail a copy to [egriffith@cityofshawnee.org](mailto:egriffith@cityofshawnee.org) or fax to (913) 631-7351