



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The Adopt –A-Street Program

The City of Victorville Adopt-A-Street Program provides an avenue for individuals or volunteer groups to keep their neighborhoods litter-free one street at a time. It is a partnership between the City of Victorville and the citizens of the City. In addition to the aesthetic benefits of cleaner roads and neighborhoods, participants help to prevent potential pollutants from entering our waterways and save taxpayers money.

What is the Adopt-A-Street Program?

Adopt-A-Street Program is a collaboration between the City of Victorville and its residents. Residents can participate by choosing to adopt one block or up to a mile of a City street, within the City limits, and agree to remove litter at least four times per year for two years. The City will also work with groups or individuals who want to do a one-time cleanup project. The City provides trash bags, gloves, litter sticks, and vests and collects the debris your group picks up, or you can dispose of it yourself. Participants of the Adopt-A-Street Program are encouraged to redeem any recyclable bottles and cans they pick up.

What are the advantages of Adopting-A-Street?

- Encourages neighborhood pride and increased property values.
- Reduces litter removal costs.
- Discourages littering because people litter less in clean neighborhoods.
- Allows maintenance crews to perform other tasks.

Who can participate?

- Individuals
- Family members
- Non-profit organizations
- Government organizations
- Businesses
- Civic Groups
- A group of neighbors
- Any person(s) or group(s) who want to promote civic pride

Can minors participate?

- Minors younger than 7 years old are not allowed to participate.
- Minors between the ages of 7 and 12 years old must be accompanied by a parent.
- Minors between the ages of 13 and 18 years old must be supervised by a parent or guardian.
- All minors under the age of 18 years must have the special liability waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian.

Which streets are adoptable?

- Most streets in Victorville are adoptable; however, due to safety concerns not all streets are adoptable.

How long are the street segments?

- Streets are adoptable in length of one block to one mile.

Can more than one group or individual adopt the same street?

- If two or more groups wish to adopt the same section of street, they can. The groups can work as a larger group to meet their four cleanups. Or each group can do one of the required four cleanups.

If our group adopts a street, do we have to clean it?

- No, a contractor can be used to complete the clean up.
- Please contact the Adopt-A-Street Program for further information.

What are the volunteer's responsibilities?

- Participate in annual spring and fall cleanup events. This will count as meeting two of the yearly obligations.
- Participants obtain required supplies and materials from the City of Victorville during regular business hours.
- Participants must return safety equipment and any unused supplies to the City of Victorville.
- Participants shall **NOT** remove items that might be hazardous or cause injury. This includes: syringes, needles, broken glass, animal bodies, and heavy objects such as tires or appliances, or any unidentifiable substances. If any of these items are found, please report these to Solid Waste Code Enforcement at (760) 955-5095.

What are the City of Victorville's responsibilities?

- Provide trash bags, safety literature, litter sticks, gloves, and grabbing tools.
- Remove the filled bags when necessary.
- Assist the participants in cleaning up litter in unusual circumstance, i.e. when large, heavy or hazardous items are found.

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