



City of Miami Gardens

Adoption Agreement

Volunteers Agree to...

- "Adopt" a one-mile section of a city road right-of-way
- Dedicate two years to the program
- Follow specified Miami Gardens safety regulations
- Remove litter a minimum of four times each year.

Miami Gardens Agrees to...

- Assist with safety meetings
- Provide safety vests and litter bags
- Pick up litter at specified locations
- Post Adopt-A-Road signs commending the group at the beginning and end of their section.

Help us keep Miami Gardens beautiful!

Adopt-A-Road Application

Group name _____

Contact person _____

Address _____

Home phone _____ Work phone _____

FAX or Other phone _____

Name of road to adopt _____

Beginning at _____

Ending at _____

Name to appear on sign (1-2 rows up to 20 letters/spaces maximum). Sign dedications or recognitions are limited to the deceased.

Signature _____ Date _____

RETURN TO: Keep Miami Gardens Beautiful, Adopt-A-Road Program, 1050 NW 163rd Drive, Miami Gardens, FL 33169 Fax: 305-622-8032 Phone: 786-279-1268

Road checked & approved by _____ Road adoptable? ___ yes ___ no

COMMENTS:

For Public Works use only

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Safety Guidelines

Litter along our roadways is bad, but roads can be dangerous places to work. In order to minimize the chances of an accident is worse! Keep the following guidelines in mind when cleaning up your adopted road:

Always

- Car pool to the pick up site to keep the number of vehicles on the roadside to a minimum. Park all vehicles as far off the roadway as possible
- Place the "Road Work Ahead" signs at both ends of your area before you begin working.
- Wear goggles, sturdy shoes, a safety vest, and other bright colored, protective clothing.
- Face oncoming traffic and stay alert.
- Keep your group together, pace yourselves, take breaks, and drink plenty of liquids.
- Watch for holes, obstacles, and slopes.
- Be alert for snakes, noxious weeds, and biting or stinging insects.

Never

- Never play or do anything to distract passing drivers or other volunteers.
- Never touch, move or pick up hazardous materials, dead animals, broken glass or other sharp edged objects. To report hazardous materials, call **SOLID WASTE?** To report dead animals alongside the road, call Animal Control at (305) 805-7185.
- Never pick up litter on bridges, in or in construction sites.
- Never bring children under 12 to the site.
- Never consume alcohol or drugs before or during clean-up.
- Never pick up litter in the roadway or in the median.
- Never work during peak travel times or during bad weather conditions

The City of Miami Gardens asks that all volunteers be reminded of safety precautions before each clean-up. Before going to your adopted road, please print our Safety Checklist, take it with you to the site, and take a moment to review some important points before you start working.

Adopt-A-Road Safety Checklist

- ___ Are warning signs in place?
- ___ Are all participants wearing safety vests?
- ___ Have all participants been properly trained?
- ___ Are all vehicles parked off the roadway?
- ___ Is drinking water available?
- ___ Have procedures for crossing bridges and overpasses been reviewed?
- ___ Are all children ages 12-17 being supervised at a 1:5 ratio?

Remember...

- Be sure to obtain all safety items and supplies from the KMGB office.
- Plan to take rest breaks and drink fluids, especially in hot weather.
- Stay alert for noxious weeds, biting insects, snakes, and harmful objects.
- Keep the group together and face oncoming traffic.
- Stop work if inclement weather begins.
- Be careful on sloping areas and watch for hidden holes.
- Do not pick up objects on bridges or overpasses, in tunnels or at construction sites.
- Keep off the roadway and out of the medians.
- Don't play around! Just being on the roadside is already a distraction to motorists.
- Don't bring children under age 12. Children ages 12-17 must be supervised at all times.