



## 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, 1515 NW 167 St,  
Bldg 5 Suite 200 Miami Gardens, FL 33169

Fax: (305) 622-8009

-----  
Road checked & approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Road adoptable? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

COMMENTS:

***For Public Works use only***

# City of Miami Gardens

## 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.