

## **PARTICIPANT POLICIES & EXPECTATIONS**

The mission of the Simpsonville SIMPLY PROUD. Adopt-a-Street Program is to reduce litter inside Simpsonville city limits through partnerships between the City of Simpsonville and community members that promote sustained litter cleanup efforts. With adoption of a street or road in Simpsonville city limits comes responsibilities and expectations to ensure the Adopt-a-Street Program functions as intended and functions effectively. Simply put, adopting a street or road requires litter cleanup throughout the year documented with stats and photos. The following is a list of expectations and responsibilities for participating in the Adopt-a-Street Program:

Simpsonville SIMPLY PROUD. Adopt-a-Street Program – **Program** City of Simpsonville – **City** Road, street, drive, etc. being adopted – **Street** Person or organization adopting the street – **Adopter** Person or organization applying to adopt a street – **Applicant** Sign acknowledging Adopter for litter cleanup efforts – **Sign** 

- An Adopter can be 1 person, family, business, nonprofit, church or organization.
- No more than one I entity can adopt a Street.
- An entity can adopt no more than 1 Street unless decided otherwise by the City based on need and other factors.
- A Street qualifies for the Program if and only if a portion or the entirety of the street is owned by the City.
- Adoption of a Street requires 1) submission of the Application, 2) approval by the City and 3) 1 (one) litter cleanup by the Applicant for the assigned Street.
- A Sign is designed, manufactured and installed by Public Works within 30 calendar days of the first cleanup by the Adopter.
- An Adopter is required to conduct a minimum of 4 cleanups in 365 days with the cleanups as equally distributed as possible. An ideal example is 1 cleanup each in mid-February, mid-May, mid-August and mid-November.
- An Applicant must be notified by the City of application approval before the first cleanup of the Street.
- An approved Applicant must conduct a minimum of 1 cleanup on the Street within 90 days of the approval notice.



- If an Applicant does not conduct a minimum of 1 cleanup on the Street within 90 days of notice, the Applicant loses claim to the Street; the application is null and void; and the Applicant must meet with City staff before a new application by them will be reviewed.
- For a minimum of 4 cleanups, Adopters are required to record on provided forms the date/s, time/s, numbers of volunteers and bags of trash and a minimum of 1 photograph of the volunteers for each cleanup to validate compliance with the Program.
- If an Adopter has any questions or concerns, the Adopter must express them to the Community Relations Specialist so they can be addressed.
- Failure to adhere to the requirements of an Adopter can lead to loss of claim to the Street and removal of the installed Sign. Scenarios that could lead to dismissal include but are not limited to the following:
  - Failing to conduct a minimum of 4 cleanups in 365 days
  - Failing to equally distribute 4 cleanups in 365 days, e.g. reserving all 4 cleanups for the last 4 months of the 12-month cycle
  - Failing to provide records and photographs of cleanups
  - Failing to respond to correspondence from the City for 30 business days
  - Evidence or reports of illegal activity

Name of Applicant (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of City Official (Print)
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