

Sign Up, Clean Up!

When you join MoDOT's Adopt-A-Highway program, you become a vital part of an important public/private partnership that's dedicated to keeping Missouri's roadsides clean and attractive. No special skills or experience are required – just a commitment to the community and concern for the environment.

MoDOT spends a lot of time and money maintaining more than 385,000 acres of right of way along 32,000 highway miles. For every roadside mile that's mowed, landscaped or kept litter-free by adopters, MoDOT can devote more resources to other critical areas.

Since the Missouri Adopt-A-Highway program began in 1987, more than 9,000 groups have volunteered to adopt, including commercial and private enterprises, civic and non-profit organizations, families and individuals. But we still have plenty of room for you!

Adoption Options

As an Adopt-A-Highway volunteer, you can pick up litter, mow or beautify a roadside, or any combination of these activities.

- Litter Cleanup MoDOT spends about \$5 million annually to remove litter, but still can't clean it all. Adopters who pick up litter help out by saving taxpayers about \$1.5 million a year.
- Mowing MoDOT spends approximately \$19 million annually to mow the grass on highway roadsides. With more than 32,000 miles of state highways, MoDOT values adopters' mowing activities.

• **Beautification** - MoDOT works with and encourages adopters to landscape roadsides by planting shrubs, trees and flowers to complement the surroundings. Native plants are also a good option to beautify, control erosion, and reduce mowing costs. Visit www.grownative.org for more information.

Our Commitment

As the Adopt-A-Highway program coordinator, MoDOT will...

- put up signs with your group's name at each end of your adopted roadway. You may also choose to adopt in the memory of a loved one, and have their name on the sign instead.
- award your group with a certificate of appreciation.
- provide safety training and video, safety vests, caution flags, trash bags and rules.
- pick up the bags of litter you collect.

As an Adopter, You Will ...

- adopt at least a half-mile of urban roadside or a two-mile rural stretch.
- collect litter at least twice every six months (more often in certain areas).



• mow and/or maintain landscaping as needed (if applicable).

- sign a three-year agreement, which you or MoDOT may cancel.
- notify MoDOT before and after each litter cleanup.
- participate in MoDOT's safety training and follow all safety procedures. We suggest you take a certified first-aid class.

Join the Adopt-A-Highway program now. Just call 1-888 ASK MODOT (275-6636) and ask for the AAH coordinator in your area, or visit MoDOT's website at www.modot.org. Thank you!

No MOre Trash!

Trash is a problem in Missouri, but it's one problem we can solve together. And the Missouri departments of Conservation and Transportation have been working together to reduce litter in Missouri since the launch of Missouri's first statewide litter-prevention campaign No MOre Trash! in April 2002! Although picking up trash is a start, we ultimately have to stop littering in the first place. This campaign is a long-term effort to raise awareness and ultimately change the behaviors of those who litter. We can all support No MOre Trash! For more information on the campaign, visit www.nomoretrash.org.

YES! I want more info on adopting my own highway.

Organization

Daytime phone

Evening phone

E-mail

Street address

City

County

State

Zip

The golden flower on the Adopt-A-Highway sign is the yellow coreopsis, a native Missouri wildflower that grows in prairies and glades and along roadsides in the spring and summer.



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Southwest District

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Springfield Area District

3025 East Kearney Street Springfield, MO 65801 (417) 895-7600

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South Central District

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2675 North Main Street Sikeston, MO 63801 (573) 472-5333

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Central Office

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