

APPLICATION

Organization _____

Contact Person _____
(at least 18 years old)

Title or Position _____

Phone (Day) _____

(Evening) _____

Mailing Address _____

Email _____

Estimated Number of Participants _____

Preferred Adoption Site (Park Name)

1st choice _____

2nd choice _____

Tentative Starting Date _____

CONTACT

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Park Superintendent
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GUIDELINES

- Parks will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis, to be determined by the Director of Parks and Recreation.
- Each group will receive several waiver forms that must be completed on every occasion they work in the parks in order to keep track of volunteers and their hours worked. Waiver forms must be returned to the Director of Parks and Recreation at the City Hall building.
- Work is to be completed during park hours only (most parks are open dawn to dusk).
- All participants should be over the age of 18 or accompanied by an adult supervisor (i.e. scout and youth groups accompanied by adult sponsor(s)).
- Groups are encouraged to work one day per month in the park. If the group has collected a large amount of trash from a park or needs assistance of any kind, they are to contact the Director of Parks and Recreation.
- Please do NOT pull any weeds or flowers.
- Please report any broken or damaged equipment.
- All participants are to follow the park policies set by the City of Galesburg.
- To receive a sign, your group must complete a total of 30 hours of volunteer time.



Adopt-A-Park

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ADOPT-A-PARK PROGRAM

The City of Galesburg's Adopt-A-Park Program is designed to encourage the community to get involved with your parks – make them your own! Work to help keep your parks clean, safe and fun by picking-up debris and suggesting landscape and new amenities and playground ideas. This program offers the opportunity for people to get more involved in their community in a way that promotes civic pride, appreciation and awareness. For more information, contact the Director of Parks and Recreation at 309-344-3140.



PARTICIPATION

The Adopt-A-Park Program is open to individuals, youth groups, neighborhood associations, civic groups, religious organizations, service organizations, schools (school groups and teams), businesses and other community organizations throughout the City of Galesburg.

BENEFITS

- It is a great way for your group to spend quality time together, knowing you are improving a favorite community park.
- Your organization's name will be acknowledged on a sign in the designated park.
- Your involvement will not only better a park of Galesburg, but the City of Galesburg as a whole.
- Adopting a park gives groups a chance to have a hands-on role in keeping their park clean and beautiful.
- Your organization will receive two (2) free shelter rentals at your adopted park (any park you want if your adopted park does not have a shelter) each year for organizational gatherings.

INVOLVEMENT

When a group adopts a park from the City of Galesburg, the organization's members pick up litter, report vandalism, make recommendations to improve the park's equipment/tree planting/general maintenance and keep an eye on the park. They do not edge, cut, prune or pull any landscaping or trees without prior approval from the Director of Parks and Recreation. We ask that the Adopted Park's contact person inform and enforce the Adopt-A-Park policies and procedures within their group.



TIME COMMITMENT

Groups will receive a sign of recognition once 30 volunteer hours have been recorded. Each group is also encouraged to set up a monthly work date throughout the year. It is each Adopted Park's contact person's responsibility to organize monthly cleanups and keep track of the group's total volunteer hours.

