



# Green Spaces, Fun Places

## Adopt -A-Park or Trail Program

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### **Project Goal:**

Maintain the natural beauty of the parks and trails by collecting litter and debris.

### **Project Coordinator:**

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### **Location:**

Any existing regional park, county park, trail, or open space area owned and maintained by Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Department.

### **Tasks:**

1. Complete volunteer application and interview with Volunteer Coordinator.
2. Pick up litter and debris in an area selected in consultation with Ramsey County Parks and Recreation staff.
3. Place filled trash bags at the predetermined collection sites on the sides of the trail.
4. Assist staff in identifying unusual park conditions, special projects, or long term park improvements.
5. Identify inappropriate use and report to department staff or law enforcement.

### **Qualifications and Project Requirements:**

1. Adequate supervision must be provided to volunteers 18 years and under.
2. If this is a group project, one individual must be designated as the group representative. All communication will be directed through the group representative.
3. Volunteers must wear gloves and shoes when picking up trash. Boots are recommended.
4. Review any safety procedures and instructions before each cleanup and alert participants to the hazards and precautions of work.
5. Arrange to obtain the provided supplies with department staff.

### **Project Restrictions:**

1. Power tools, equipment or machinery is not permitted.
2. Do not repair or attempt to repair County-owned property (i.e. swings, playground equipment, bridges, etc.) Report necessary repairs to department staff.
3. Do not pick up anything that is too heavy for one individual. Report large items (i.e. tires, appliances, barrels, etc.) to department staff.

### **Time Commitment:**

This project is designed for a two - year commitment.

### **Training Plan:**

The volunteer or group representative will meet with the project coordinator to discuss park or trail selection, required tasks and optional tasks. A site visit will be conducted. Additional training will be provided to the volunteer group as needed.

### **Ramsey County Parks and Recreation will provide:**

1. Trash bags and technical assistance, if requested.
2. Removal of collected trash and debris.
3. Permit letter to conduct the work.

### **Volunteers will provide:**

1. Travel arrangements and costs to and from the volunteer location.
2. Clothing appropriate for the project.
3. Snacks, meals, or beverages during the project.