



The Adopt-a-Road program offers several benefits to its communities.

It provides a clean environment, gives civic pride to the community, serves as a reminder not to litter and saves tax-payers money.

Adopt-a-Road is a program where groups volunteer to pick up litter off of Gila County's Roadway System.

The Adopt-a-Road program is a national litter awareness program. This gives Gila County residents an opportunity to participate in removing litter and save tax-payers money.

Gila County is happy to sponsor this program and get as many residents involved who want to volunteer.

Volunteers may include civic, community, church and business groups and even families.

What Gila County Provides to Volunteers

- Erect signs identifying the name of the organization
- Provide safety training for organization coordinators
- Supply litter bags
- Waive landfill fee for disposal of litter bags or bags may be brought to the dumpster at the Gila County Courthouse
- Send new organizations Certification of Adoption
- Supply safety vests
- Include approved areas in the program based on safety considerations
- Include traffic volumes, speeds, curves, and number of intersections
- Recycling opportunities available for groups who wish to use them

What a Volunteer Must Provide

- Complete an Adopt-A-Road application and waiver form signed by each person participating in the pickup event
- A two year commitment to pick up litter along a designated stretch of highway
- A commitment to pick up litter at least two times a year
- Hold a safety briefing before picking-up litter
- Schedule the date and time of each pickup through a County contact
- Designate a member as a coordinator
- Return to the County a postcard, note, and/or e-mail which indicates the hours worked, the number of participants, and the bags of trash removed

Safety Rules for Volunteers

- Carpool to work site and keep vehicles off the travelway and shoulder of the road
- Make sure workers wear safety vests provided by the County
- Face oncoming traffic
- Avoid overexertion
- Stop work in inclement weather
- Do not remove hazardous substances
- Avoid contact with noxious weeds and areas where herbicides have been applied
- Do not pick up items on bridges or on the pavement
- Do not bring children under the age of 12 to the Adopt-a-Road area

GILA COUNTY
ADOPT-A-ROAD APPLICATION
745 N. Rose Mofford Way
Globe, Arizona 85501

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO USE COUNTY ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

Application is hereby made for a permit to enter in upon and use a portion of the County Road and to participate in the Adopt-A-Road Program

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Name of Applicant: _____

Mailing Address of Applicant: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Road Name: _____ From Milepost: _____ to Milepost: _____

City (in or near) _____

In order to minimize costs and more closely follow FHWA guidelines, Gila County has modified the method of placing text on Adopt-A-Road (AAR) signs. Please use the following table to place your message. We will not be able to accommodate any other text other than what will fit within the boxes. Larger text and fewer lines make the message easier to read.

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By signing, applicant agrees to all provision (1-14) below.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY

This application is to pick up litter AT LEAST 2 times a year on _____ subject to the following provisions

1. Gila County reserves the right to approve, disapprove and/or edit names or acronyms to go on the signs.
2. Work shall be conducted during daylight hours.
3. Workers shall not cross the traveled way of access controlled highways.
4. If weather or other adverse circumstances cause a public hazard, work shall be immediately discontinued.
5. Volunteers performing work under this permit shall wear personal protective clothing, including safety vests, while on County Road right-of-way.

6. Work shall not be initiated prior to briefing on safety procedures by County's representative.
7. Permittee shall designate a coordinator who shall represent the group. In addition, one adult supervisor shall be assigned by the volunteer organization for each ten (10) children between the ages of twelve (12) and eighteen (18) years of age. No child less than twelve (12) years of age shall be allowed to participate or to remain in the right-of-way assigned to the permittee.
8. Participants personal vehicles shall not be parked within the right-of-way of an access controlled road, and on all other roads shall be legally located off the traveled way so as not to interfere with the free flow of traffic or pedestrians: except, approved vehicle(s) used to transport participants or materials to and from the work site may be parked off the roadway on access controlled highways.
9. This permit is valid for two calendar years from date of issue and may be renewed with the Department's approval.
10. Each individual shall attend a safety orientation conducted by Gila County at the start of the two year commitment and prior to entering the County road right-of-way. The orientation shall include a discussion and explanation of safety requirements.
11. Each participant (or parent or guardian of a minor participant) shall sign a waiver form. The permittee has volunteered to pick up litter in the right-of-way at its own risk. Gila County and its officers and employees shall not be liable for any death, injury or property damage claims and all the costs associated therewith which arise. If any claim arises out of the foregoing, the permittee shall defend, indemnify and save harmless Gila County and its officers and employees from same. Permittees obligation under this Section shall not extend to any liability caused by the sole negligence of Gila County or its employees.
14. This permit may be canceled by Gila County for failure to pick up litter per agreement or for non-conformance with other permit provisions. Gila County will provide safety training, litter bags and safety vests. Gila County will erect signs showing the volunteer participation of the named organization in the Adopt-a-Road Program. The work order for this will be processed as soon as this permit is approved and the sign will be installed in a timely manner.

GILA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

PERMIT AND LICENSE

Permit No. _____

A permit and license is hereby issued to the foregoing licensee for the purpose contained in the application and upon the expressed condition that every agreement and any special provision contained herein is faithfully performed. Work is authorized only for the period indicated below.

Dated: _____

THIS PERMIT EXPIRES: _____

By _____
(Title)