



Middle Smithfield Township Supervisors

ADOPT -A- ROAD PROGRAM FACT SHEET

The Adopt - A - Road program reinforces Middle Smithfields litter pick-up efforts by involving citizens in the anti-litter efforts of our township. The program serves as an educational tool to make people aware of the litter problem and serves to provide clean, well cared for roadways for Middle Smithfields citizens, roadway users and the visitors to our area. The program allows groups or individuals to become special "caretakers" of portions of Township or state roadways.

- Adopting groups must sign an agreement with Middle Smithfield
- Groups or individuals are requested to adopt at least a two-mile portion of Township or State highway.
- Groups must agree to pick up litter at least 2 times a year. The agreement runs for two years. It will renew automatically unless either party chooses to terminate it.
- Safety is a top priority. Contact person must use safety materials provided by The Township and must review safety precautions with pickup members before each pick-up.
- All participants must wear orange safety vests and must post "Litter Crew Ahead" signs during scheduled pick - up periods. Vests and signs are provided by the Township.
- Middle Smithfield or the State will post two signs (one in each direction) naming the individual(s) on the adopted portion of roadway.
- Participants must be at least 10 years old. Participants under 18 must be Accompanied by adults.



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SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**

Participants shall:

- Pick up one side at a time when cleaning a multi-lane highway with a median. Vehicles shall remain on the same side of the highway as the volunteers.
- Never cross over or pick up trash on the traveled pavement.
- Upon arriving at your location, immediately display the Township's official "Litter Crew Ahead" safety sign in advance of pickup site.
- Not possess or drink alcoholic beverages.
- Conduct a safety orientation prior to collection.
- Provide appropriate and adequate adult supervision when youth groups are involved in litter pickups: that is one adult per eight participants between the ages of 10 and 17.
- Avoid peak traffic hours, holiday weekends, and extreme inclement weather conditions.
- Stay clear of all construction areas.
- Conduct pre-pickup safety reviews.
- Avoid all horseplay or demonstrations of any nature on the right-of-way.
- Wear the safety vest provided by the Township.
- Avoid hazardous materials such as old car batteries or any unidentified questionable items and animal carcasses.
- Be aware of all known allergies of volunteers before participation.