

VERNON COUNTY ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY APPLICATION



Please complete this application and submit it to the Vernon County Highway Department.

Group Name as it should appear on the sign (14 spaces on each of three lines.)
If you have more than 14, the letters will be smaller.

Group Name	
Mailing Address	(Area Code) Fax Number
City, State, Zip Code	(Area Code) Telephone Number
Contact Person Name	Email address
Mailing Address	Approximate Number of People Participating in Each Cleanup
City, State, Zip Code	Number of Times Your Group Plans to Pick up Litter This Year – Minimum 2 Times

County Road section you want to Adopt – List Alternate Sections in Order of Preference

County Road Name	From	To

By signature below, the Group acknowledges the hazardous nature of the work and agrees to the terms and conditions stated on the back of this, or attached, form.

Signature of Authorized Group Representative – Must be 18 years or older	Date
Title	

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

PERMIT APPROVAL The Department approves this permit for the Group to participate in the Adopt-A-Highway Program for the section identified above. The Group accepts responsibility of picking up litter on this section of highway. The Department reserves the right to modify or cancel this permit at any time. Please notify the Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator with any Group information change.

Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator Signature	Date	Permit Number
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Adopt-A-Highway Program Terms and Conditions

The Vernon County Highway Department (the "Department") and the volunteer Group named on this application (the "Group"), recognize the need for and the desirability of litter-free highways.

1. The Group and its members are to be considered as volunteers and not as officers, employees, or agents of the Vernon County Highway Department. Any injuries, claims, liabilities, suits or costs arising from the Group or Group member's activities relating to the permit shall be the sole responsibility of the Group or its individual members.
2. The Group and all of its individual members, agree to indemnify and hold harmless Vernon County and the Vernon County Highway department from any injury, suit, liability or award arising from the issuance or exercise of this permit, or because of any adverse effect upon any person or property attributed to the works of the Group.
3. Participants in the Group agree to obey and abide by all laws and regulations relating to safety and such terms and conditions as may be required by the Department for special conditions that may exist on a particular adopted section.
4. The Group shall pick up litter a minimum of two times a year between April 1 and November 1. The Group shall not work beyond its section limits.
5. The Group shall not pick up litter on medians, on bridges, in tunnels, on overpasses or around structures that could pose danger.
6. The Group shall supply one adult supervisor for every 5 workers.
7. Each participant shall have viewed the safety training video before participation at www.dot.wisconsin.gov/localgov/aah/safety.htm. The group leader shall review the safety rules with all participants.
8. All participants shall be at least 11 years of age or in the 6th grade. No other persons shall be present at the work site.
9. The Group shall work only during daylight hours and in good weather.
10. Traffic safety signs shall be displayed properly during litter pick up. Groups shall work on only one side of the road at a time.
11. All participants shall wear safety vests.
12. If the Group encounters closed containers or items suspected to be hazardous, these items shall not be touched. These items should be reported to the Highway Department.
13. The Group shall place filled trash bags at the designated pickup site and notify the Department.
14. Unused materials and supplies furnished by the Department may be retained by the Group during the agreement period, but at the end of the period must be returned as instructed by the Department. If the Group drops from the program, all materials must be returned to the Department.
15. The Group shall not collect litter during the following holiday periods; Memorial Day extended weekend, July 3-5 and Labor Day extended weekend.
16. Within 24 hours of a collection, the Group shall call the Highway Department or send an e-mail to vchd@vernoncounty.org to report that the litter pick up has been completed.
17. The Group shall make arrangements for off-road parking or shuttle bus type of travel to the worksite. All vehicles at the pickup site shall be parked at the nearest cross street, if possible, or at least 3 feet from the pavement when parking on the highway.
18. The Group may keep any recyclable materials.
19. The Department agrees to provide safety vests, trash bags, traffic and safety signs.
20. The Department reserves the right to refuse or revise acronyms of Group names when preparing signs.
21. The Department reserves the right to refuse any group that discriminates on the basis of race, religion or gender.