



# ADOPT A GREEN SPACE

## **Program Description**

The Adopt A Green Space program is a partnership between the City of Mound and individual volunteers, businesses and/or community groups. The program encourages these groups and individuals to commit their time, talents and/or money to the maintenance and improvement of one of the City's green spaces such as a neighborhood park, open space, or city flower box.

It is the goal of the Adopt A Green Space program to promote beautification, participation and community pride by involving residents in the maintenance and upkeep of City parks, flower boxes, and green spaces.

## **Who Can Participate**

- Individuals
- Families
- Neighborhood associations
- Civic groups
- Churches
- School groups
- Businesses
- Community organizations.

## **Possible Activities**

- Pick up litter on a regular basis with City-supplied garbage bags
- Organize spring and/or fall clean-up
- Maintain shrub beds including weeding, minor hand trimming
- Pull weeds or cultivate annual or perennial flower beds
- Furnish and plant flowers and/or shrubs
- Clean park signs of dirt and graffiti

## **Participation Benefits**

- Acknowledgement in an issue of the Contact Newsletter recognizing that a flower box and/or park has been adopted by the respective individuals or organization
- Satisfaction of improving aesthetics of our community

## **Participant Responsibilities**

It is expected that Adopt A Green Space members will complete the following responsibilities for their chosen area:

### **Flower Boxes**

- The primary goal of flower boxes is to provide color and beauty in centrally located and visible areas around the City
- Supply and plant flowers no later than Memorial Day
- Maintain planter boxes through September (watering and weeding)

### **Beaches**

- Clean debris and litter from sand areas
- Clean weeds from water along shoreline

### **Parks**

- Responsibilities vary according to work being performed

## **Participation Guidelines**

To ensure the safety of the participants and proper planning for park improvements, the Parks Division requests that participants adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Work should only be completed during daylight hours and in appropriate weather conditions.
2. Participants must provide adequate supervision for any participants less than 18 years of age.
3. Extreme care should be exhibited in areas where hazardous conditions may exist. Examples include roads, parking lots, bridges, construction sites, open water, and areas where tree trimming or pest control is in progress.

## **To Apply**

Complete the Adopt A Green Space Application. Visit the City of Mound website ([cityofmound.com](http://cityofmound.com)) for an application and any other program information, or contact Mary at 952-472-0603, or by email at [admin@cityofmound.com](mailto:admin@cityofmound.com)