

# Adopt-A-Road

## Why volunteer?

- Improve the environment
- Gain recognition for community service
- Contribute to neighborhood beautification
- Decrease litter and littering



Korean American Calvary Baptist Church members make a difference

## Special events

Twice a year, the **Adopt-A-Road Program** promotes special clean-up months. In April, take part in **Earth Day** and show your commitment to the environment. During October, join with your friends and neighbors and participate in national **Make a Difference Day**. A road cleanup is a wonderful way to partake in this celebration of community service.

Of course, whatever time of year you choose to do your cleanups is the perfect time to make a difference in King County!

[www.kingcounty.gov/roads](http://www.kingcounty.gov/roads)

## Resources

### Illegal Dumping Hotline

[www.kingcounty.gov/roads](http://www.kingcounty.gov/roads)  
206-296-SITE or  
toll free 1-866-431-7483

### Report Litter Violators

866-LITTER-1, or TTY Relay: 711

## Contact us

### Need something done on your King County road?

[www.kingcounty.gov/roads](http://www.kingcounty.gov/roads)

### 24/7 Road Helpline

206-296-8100 or 1-800-527-6273

## Comments?

If you have comments or questions regarding services provided by our division, please feel free to contact us by e-mail or phone.

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### Alternative formats available

206-296-6590 TTY Relay: 711



## King County

Department of Transportation  
Road Services Division  
**Adopt-A-Road Program**

King Street Center  
201 South Jackson Street  
KSC-TR-0317  
Seattle, WA 98104-3856  
206-296-3807  
Fax 206-296-0566

E-mail [adopt.roads@kingcounty.gov](mailto:adopt.roads@kingcounty.gov)  
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**Make a difference!**



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# Adopt a road and see what a difference you can make!

King County's **Adopt-A-Road Program** began in 1991. Since then, more than 250 volunteer groups have cleaned hundreds of miles of roadway, keeping thousands of bags of litter off county roads. You, too, can help make King County a better place to live.

## How it works

The **Adopt-A-Road Program** is a litter-reduction campaign designed to remove litter debris from county roads and improve the quality of the environment.

The program establishes a partnership between volunteer groups and the county's Road Services Division. The county provides guidance and equipment to foster safe and effective cleanups and the volunteers do the work of gathering the litter along designated neighborhood roads. County maintenance crews follow-up by picking up and disposing the collected trash.

Volunteer groups apply to "adopt" a two mile stretch of road. Selected groups then commit to cleaning two miles of road, twice a year for two years.



CORE Design volunteers getting hardhats and safety vests on prior to cleanup.



Department of Development and Environmental Services group pictured with two safety kits. Each kit contains enough equipment for ten volunteers.

## As a volunteer, you will receive:

- Guidance and support for successful cleanups
- A safety orientation
- Availability of safety equipment including hard hats, safety vests, gloves, trash bags and road warning signs
- Two Adopt-A-Road signs recognizing the volunteer group
- The opportunity to positively impact your community
- Recognition for a job well done

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[adopt.roads@kingcounty.gov](mailto:adopt.roads@kingcounty.gov)  
206-296-3807

## Who can apply?

- Individuals, service organizations, businesses, or families
- Prospective volunteers must be in good physical condition and have good eyesight and hearing
- Special project review and supervision is required for groups whose volunteers are under 18 years of age

## How do I apply?

Check out our Web site at [www.kingcounty.gov/roads](http://www.kingcounty.gov/roads), give us a call or e-mail to discuss your interest in participating. Application forms are available online for downloading.

## What roads are adoptable?

- Unincorporated King County roads
- Suitable roads approved by the coordinator
- Roads that have not been adopted by another group
- Approved roads within contract cities

## What commitment do I have to make?

- Clean two miles of road
- At least two times a year
- For two or more years

The right equipment helps your job go smoothly.