

## HISTORY OF THE PROGRAM

Lake County's Adopt A Roadway Ordinance was enacted by the Board of County Commissioners on February 18, 1992. The purpose of the program is to involve the public to assist with the effort of keeping Lake County's roadways free of litter. Volunteer groups participating in the program save Lake County taxpayers about \$250 per mile cleaned, which translates into thousands of dollars saved. By adopting a roadway, civic and other nonprofit organizations help to generate pride in their community and create economic benefits to all residents of Lake County.



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## LAKE COUNTY ADOPT-A-ROADWAY PROGRAM



A VOLUNTEER LITTER  
PREVENTION PROGRAM

## ABOUT THE ADOPT-A-ROADWAY PROGRAM

The Adopt-A-Roadway Program is a volunteer litter prevention program for County roads. Similar to the Florida Department of Transportation's Adopt-A-Highway Program, which focuses solely on state highways and interstates, the County's program encourages local civic organizations, fraternal and business groups to adopt two or more miles of County roadways. To participate in the program, participants must pick up litter four times a year, be at least 15 years old, and provide adult supervision for youth groups that participate in clean ups.

The Adopt-A-Roadway Program works with the Keep Lake Beautiful (KLB) Program to keep Lake County beautiful by keeping litter out of the community and off of our roadways. KLB seeks to lead the way to a cleaner and more beautiful Lake County by engaging citizens and encouraging community participation. KLB is an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, the nation's leading nonprofit agency that focuses on building and maintaining vibrant communities. For more information, please visit [keeplakebeautiful.com](http://keeplakebeautiful.com).

## GETTING INVOLVED

**Organizations interested in the Lake County Adopt-A-Roadway Program may get involved by contacting the Lake County Public Works Department or by submitting a request form online at [www.lakecountyfl.gov/adopt-a-roadway](http://www.lakecountyfl.gov/adopt-a-roadway).** A packet of materials will be provided to each interested party that includes a list of available roads, a right-of-way utilization permit application, safety guidelines and the program's policies and procedures.

## GETTING STARTED

Get your organization started with responsible volunteers who are in good physical shape and interested in keeping Lake County's communities clean and beautiful.

Select a 2-mile section of County roadway from the list and fill out an Adopt-A-Roadway application. A Lake County representative will brief you on the safety hazards involved when working along roadsides.

## ADOPT-A-ROADWAY FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### Q. How long of a stretch do I have to clean?

A. Participants are asked to adopt a minimum of 2 miles.

### Q. How many people does a group need?

A. There are no limitations. Public Works recommends you involve enough people so that clean ups are manageable.

### Q. What is in it for me?

A. With your organization's name on an Adopt-A-Roadway sign, you will be recognized as a community member who takes action.

### Q. How often should we clean our roadside?

A. Participants in the Adopt-A-Roadway Program agree to clean their adopted stretch of roadway at least four times a year for two years. Some pick up more frequently.

### Q. Can a sign say whatever we want it to?

A. No, signs are for the name of those conducting cleanups. The intention is to recognize you, not your message.

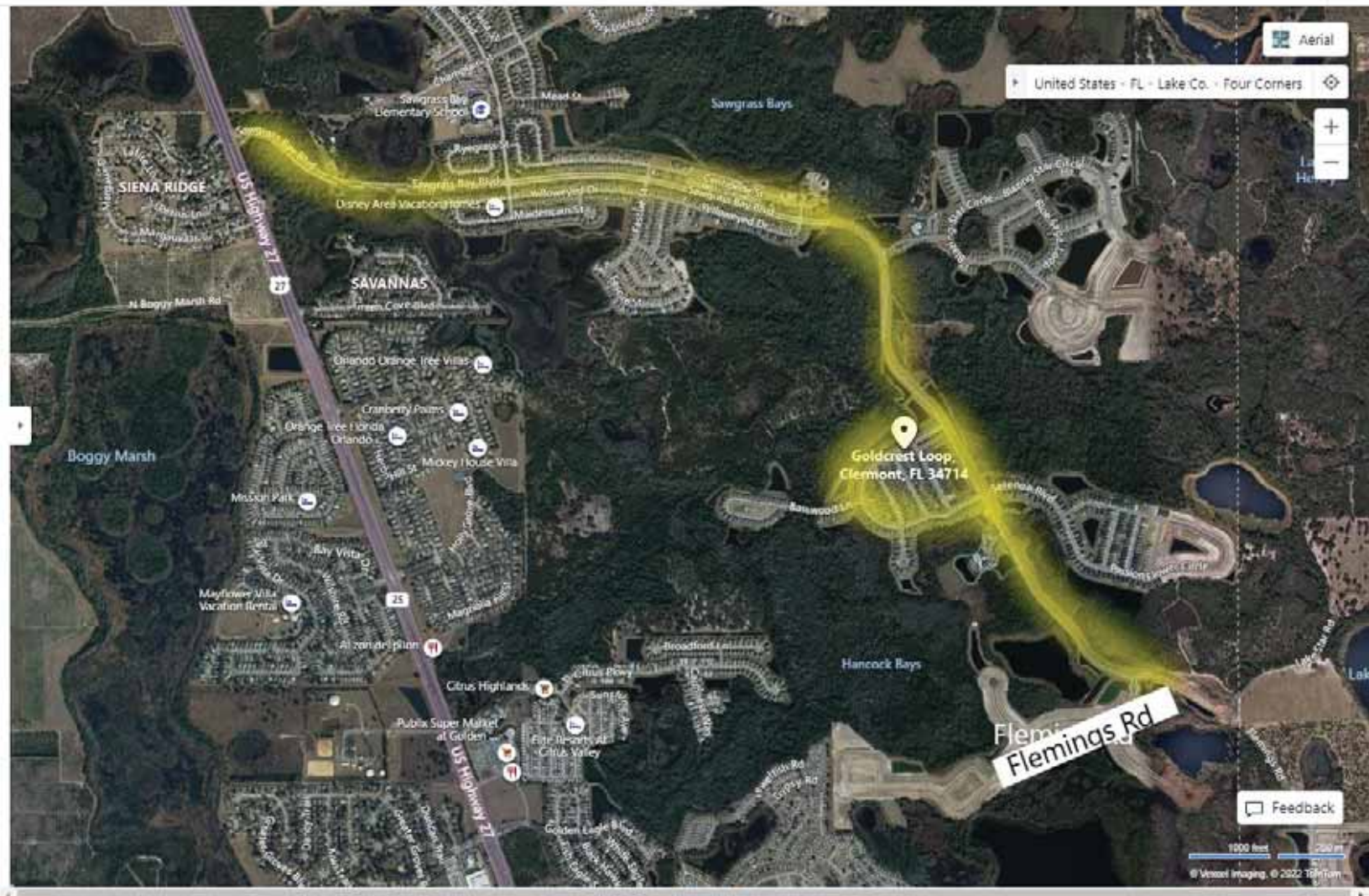
## BENEFITS OF THE PROGRAM

The Adopt-A-Roadway Program can produce great results for an organization and community, such as:

- Enhancing the environment.
- Keeping adopted sections clean and reducing litter along roadways.
- Giving the adoptive groups a sense of stewardship of public lands.
- Helping to create a society where prevailing attitudes do not tolerate littering.
- Educating the traveling public about litter prevention.
- Building road-based support in the community for local anti-litter and beautification programs.
- Providing a way for groups to contribute to the community.
- Instilling pride in all who participate.
- Lessening the financial burden placed on taxpayers to keep roadways litter-free.
- Making communities more attractive to business, industry and tourists.







**Lake County, Florida  
Department of Public Works**

**2022 LITTER REMOVAL SCHEDULE for the ADOPT-A-ROADWAY PROGRAM**

*Please note that due to County offices being closed for holidays, not all Saturdays are included in the schedule.*

**Please choose a MINIMUM of four (4) of the following Saturdays:**

**\*Blackout dates are not available due to a holiday falling that following Monday**

<p><b>January</b></p> <p>1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>8 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>15 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>22 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>29 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>February</b></p> <p>5 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>12 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>19 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>26 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>March</b></p> <p>5 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>12 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>19 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>26 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>April</b></p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>9 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>16 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>23 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>30 <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p><b>May</b></p> <p>7 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>14 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>21 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>28 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>June</b></p> <p>4 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>11 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>18 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>25 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>July</b></p> <p>2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>9 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>16 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>23 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>30 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>August</b></p> <p>6 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>13 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>20 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>27 <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p><b>September</b></p> <p>3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>10 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>17 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>24 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>October</b></p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>8 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>15 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>22 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>29 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>November</b></p> <p>5 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>12 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>19 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>26 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>December</b></p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>10 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>17 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>24 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>31 <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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Please report cleanup results to your Maintenance Area: number of volunteers, hours, number bags collected

Print Organization or Individual Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated # of Volunteers: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPLY PICK-UP LOCATION PREFERRED: (Please check location)


**Maintenance Area I - 2310 W. Griffin Rd, Leesburg**

352/787-0074

**Maintenance Area II - 609 Disston St, Minneola**

352/394-2559

**Maintenance Area III - 19720 E. Fifth St, Umatilla**

352/669-2814

Return completed form to:

Lake County Department of Public Works / Road Operations / MA1  
P. O. Box 7800 Tavares, FL 32778



## **LAKE COUNTY SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR ADOPT-A-ROADWAY VOLUNTEERS**

### **IN GENERAL:**

1. Conduct and attend safety meetings and pre-task briefings prior to litter removal.
2. Ensure that all participants in the group wear safety vests at all times during the litter removal activity.
3. Only allow such persons to participate as are determined by the Group to be responsible enough to safely participate in the litter removal activities.
4. The Group shall provide a least one adult supervisor for every five (5) youths aged 15 or younger who are participating in the litter removal activities.
5. Do not bring persons to observe the litter removal activity if the person is under age of 16 and is not an official participant.
6. Do not consume any alcoholic beverages before, during, or after litter removal in the public right-of-way.

### **TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS:**

1. Park all vehicles clear of roadway.
2. Remove litter during daylight hours only.
3. Remove litter during good weather conditions only.
4. Wear light colored clothing and safety vest.
5. Do not wear camouflage or plain clothing.
6. Do not wear clothing that would hinder the sight of the participant.
7. Wear heavy gloves.
8. Wear leather shoes or boots.
9. Avoid overexertion.
10. Provide an adequate supply of drinking water.
11. Do not remove hazardous substances.
12. Be alert for snakes.
13. Have mosquito repellent and spray available.
14. Avoid contact with noxious weeds and areas where herbicides were applied.
15. Do not pick up litter on bridges, in tunnels, on overpasses, or in medians.
16. Stay well clear of any construction.
17. Do not stand on, or work in, the road or paved shoulder.
18. Ensure that appropriate traffic control signs are placed so as to be visible to the motoring public.

### **IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY:**

1. Have a first aid kit.
2. Have transportation available.

*Remember: You are working in a dangerous environment...a public roadway.*

**LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
ADOPT-A-ROADWAY  
RIGHT-OF-WAY UTILIZATION APPLICATION AND PERMIT**

To enhance the environment and the appearance of Lake County roadways, \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as "Permittee," requests permission to Adopt-A-Roadway as follows: on SawgrassBay Blvd (0360 ) from US27 to Flemings Rd ( \_\_\_\_\_ ), and Goldcrest Loop (0264) and Lake County, hereinafter referred to as "County," grants by permit the right to participate in the County Adopt-A-Roadway Program, subject to the following conditions:

1. The work will be performed under and in accordance with the Lake County Ordinance governing the Adopt-A-Roadway Program, which Ordinance is attached to this permit and incorporated herein.
2. Permittee shall abide by all ordinances, laws, and rules and regulations relating to right-of-way utilization, safety, and all other conditions as required by the Senior Director of Public Works for the adopted roadway.
3. This Permit shall constitute a license for permissive use only.
4. Permittee shall at all times assume all risk of and indemnify, defend, and save harmless the County, its Commissioners, offices, agents or employees against any and all claims, losses, damages, responsibility, liability, costs or expense arising from, allegedly arising from or related to the exercise or attempted exercise of the rights and privileges granted by this Permit.
5. Permittee agrees that the County Public Works Department may terminate this permit at any time the Permittee does not comply with the permit conditions or at any time the Permittee's work is unsafe or causes a conflict with traffic.
6. As to all relationships to the County, Permittee and all persons performing work under this Permit shall at all times and for all purposes be independent contractors and not employees of the County. Persons performing work under this permit shall have no claim to workers' compensation or other employee rights or privileges granted to the County's employees by operation of law or by the County.

Organization or Individual Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone:     (904)775-9660    

Email: lkrause@dpgmc.com

Printed Name and Title:     Larry Krause District Manager    

Name to Appear on Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

PERMISSION IS HEREBY GRANTED to perform the work described in the above permit.

Permittee	Date	Director of Public Works	Date
<i>Commissioner District</i> _____	<i>Maintenance Area</i> _____	<i>Safety Guidelines</i> _____	