Overview
Adopt-A-Park or Path Program

The Village of Orland Park Recreation Department invites organizations to take part in its Adopt-A-Park or Path program. Show pride in your community and work hands-on to help keep our 64 parks clean and litter free.

Commitment
Each year, a Community group commits to work in a park of their choosing one day per month in the designated cleanup months of April, May, June, September, and October. Groups can choose their participation day in each of the designated months. It is the responsibility of each Adopted Park’s group representative to organize these cleanup dates, and inform the Recreation Department of the chosen dates.

Participation
The program is open to individuals, youth groups, neighborhood associations, businesses and other community groups. All participants should be over 18 unless accompanied by an adult supervisor. (Scout and youth groups accompanied by adult leaders and parents with a ratio of at least one adult per five children)

What Adopting a Park Involves
When a group adopts a park from the Village of Orland Park, the organization’s members agree to perform debris and litter removal only. We ask that you do not cut, prune, or pull any landscaping, weeds or trees. We ask the Adopted Park’s group representative to inform all participants within their group of the Village of Orland Park’s park policies and procedures. Failure to do so will result in removal from the program. Individual group will be responsible for providing bags, gloves and buckets for litter removal.

Process
Groups that are interested in the Adopt-A-Park program will need to fill out and submit an application along with release forms for all participants. Adopted Parks will be assigned on a first come first serve basis.

Benefits
The program provides an opportunity for local schools, clubs, organizations and businesses to serve the community. It is also a great way for groups to spend quality time together outdoors and help keep our parks cleaner in the process. Your organization’s name will be acknowledged on a plaque at Centennial Park.
Guidelines

- Community groups commit to work in a park of their choosing one day per month in the designated cleanup months of April, May, June, September, and October.
- It is the responsibility of each Adopted Park’s contact’s person to organize cleanup dates, and inform the Recreation Department of the chosen dates.
- The parks will be assigned on a first-come-first served basis.
- Work is to be completed during park hours only (dawn to dusk).
- All participants should be over 18 unless accompanied by an adult supervisor. (scout and youth groups accompanied by adult leaders and parents with a ratio of at least one adult per five children)
- Groups can choose their participation day in each of the designated months.
- Please do not pull weeds or flowers.
- Bags, gloves, and buckets will be provided by the individual group.
- All participants are to follow the entire park policies set by the Village of Orland Park Recreation Department. Failure to do so will result in removal from the program.
- The group will place filled trash bags in trash cans, or remove those items to be recycled.
- Have fun!

Please email Jean Petrow at jpetrow@orlandpark.org or call 708.403.6380 with questions.
Village of Orland Park Recreation Department
2020 Adopt-A-Park or Path Program Application

Date: _____________________

Preferred Park: 1st choice____________________________________________________

2nd Choice________________________________________________

Organization: ____________________________________________________________

Group Contact Person: _________________________________________________

Phone Number:
Day: ________________________ Cell: ________________________________

Mailing Address: _________________________________________________________

E-mail: ________________________________________________________________

Approximate number of participants: _______________________________________

Adopt-A-Park or Path sponsors will have their name displayed on a plaque in Centennial Park, acknowledging participation in this program. Please indicate on the line below exactly how you wish your organization’s name to be printed on this plaque:

______________________________________________
(Re-adopters sign name will stay the same)

As a representative of this organization, I have read and agreed to the guidelines of the Village of Orland Park Recreation Department’s Adopt-A-Park or Path program. It is my responsibility to have all participants of my organization involved in the Adopt-A-Park or Path program sign the Recreation and Parks Waiver forms. I understand my group will be removed from the program if all guidelines are not followed.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Please return this form to Jean Petrow:

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