

City of North Port
Adopt-a-Street Program
Pre-Pickup Supplies Checklist and Safety Information

Pre-Pickup Supplies Checklist

At least one week prior to each scheduled cleanup, a representative from the adopting group should contact the Adopt-a-Street Coordinator at (941) 240-8050 and provide the date and location of the cleanup for their group or organization. At least two days prior to the scheduled cleanup, a representative from the adopting group should pick up the following supplies from the Adopt-a-Street Coordinator:

1. First Aid Kit
2. Protective Gloves
3. Safety Vests
4. Litter Bags
5. High Visibility Signs
6. Trash Pickers

Safety

Protective Clothing, Sun Protection and Insect Repellant

During all cleanup events, it is recommended that all volunteers wear the following protective clothing, sun protection and insect repellant:

1. Shirts with sleeves
2. Long pants
3. Boots or sturdy shoes (no open toe shoes or sandals)
4. Protective gloves
5. Eye protection
6. Sunscreen
7. Insect repellant

Safety Guidelines

1. Designate one volunteer to be in charge of observing any safety concerns during the cleanup.
2. Stay off bridges and rocky, steep or unstable slopes.
3. Watch for nails, syringes, broken glass or other sharp objects.
4. Avoid noxious or thorny plants.
5. Watch for stinging insects.
6. Walk single file along street.
7. Work toward oncoming traffic.
8. Work only during daylight hours and in good weather.

9. Work one side of the street at a time.
10. Do not walk into the street to remove litter.
11. Do not wear headphones.
12. No horseplay or pranks.

Items You May Pickup and Place in Litter Bags

1. Miscellaneous paper (newspaper, wrappers and paper cups)
2. Miscellaneous plastic (bottles, cups, straws, plates and food containers)
3. Metal (cans, empty buckets, non-dangerous containers)
4. Clothing or shoes

Please stack the filled bags neatly on the side of the street so as not to impede pedestrian traffic or block the view of traffic signs or intersections.

Items You May Pickup and Stack near Filled Litter Bags

1. Tires and pieces of tires
2. Various light objects too large to place in bags

Items You Should Not Pickup (*Note: Report these items to the Adopt-a-Street Coordinator at the conclusion of the cleanup*)

1. Drug paraphernalia (hypodermic syringes, needles and baggies containing unknown substances)
2. Hazardous materials (propane tanks, gas canisters, unidentified containers or other known drug making materials)
3. Dead animals (wild or domestic on the street)
4. Heavy objects (large vehicle parts, engines or appliances)
5. Anything you think may be dangerous