DOVER TOWNSHIP

Adopt-A-Road/Right-of-Way Program

Program Fact Sheet

The Adopt-A Road/Right-of-Way program reinforces Dover Township's litter pick up efforts by involving citizens in the TOWNSHIP's conservation efforts. The program serves as an educational tool to make people aware of the litter problem thereby reducing environmental issues, like pollution to our ground water. In addition, it serves to provide clean well cared for roads and right-of-ways, allowing our TOWNSHIP staff to concentrate their efforts on maintaining the infrastructure we all depend upon. The program allows groups or individuals to become special "caretakers" of portions of TOWNSHIP roads and right-of-ways.

- Eligible groups must sign an agreement with the TOWNSHIP
- Groups must adopt at least two miles of TOWNSHIP road or right-of-way or if the road is less than two miles long, the entire length of the road. The TOWNSHIP must agree that the road/right-of-way is suitable for adoption.
- Groups must agree to pick up litter at least two times per year. The agreement runs for two years. It will renew automatically unless either party chooses to terminate it.
- Safety is a top priority. Group leaders must read and use safety materials provided by the TOWNSHIP and Group Leaders must conduct safety meetings with group members before each pick up.
- All participants must wear safety vests (along roads) and must post "Litter Crews Ahead" signs during scheduled pick up periods. Vests and signs are provided by the TOWNSHIP to group leaders.
- TOWNSHIP will post two signs (one in each direction) naming the adopting group or individual on the adopted portion of road.
- Participants must be at least 16 years old and must be accompanied by adults along roads. In Right-of-Way areas, children must be at least 10 years of age.
- Any civic-minded groups or individuals may participate.
- Groups Leaders must complete a form detailing their clean up efforts to be returned to the TOWNSHIP for inclusion in reporting to the Department of Environmental Protection.