

Montgomery County (MD) Government and Department of Transportation

Right-of-Way Activity Liability Waiver

The Adopt A Road Program ("Program") and Vine Cutting efforts are open to individuals, nonprofit or civic organizations, businesses and governmental entities located within or active in Montgomery County, Maryland. Individuals, organizations, and businesses that do not comply with Montgomery County laws, including the County's nondiscrimination laws, are ineligible to participate in volunteer efforts and programs.

Participation in the Adopt A Road program and any volunteer right-of-way efforts, including vine cutting, confer no rights or privileges upon any person or entity. Montgomery County, in its sole discretion, may refuse to allow any person, organization, business or entity to participate in the Program or effort. Use of the County and department sign and logo in printed publications, commercials, social or political literature of any kind is prohibited. Violation of this prohibition will be considered cause for termination of the volunteer's participation in the Program and any efforts on County property and right-of-way.

INDEMNIFICATION

By signing this form, I certify that I hereby release Montgomery County and its agents and employees from any liability for damages or injuries resulting from participation in any efforts along the County-managed right-of-way.

The individual, organization, business or entity or person(s) that take part in any efforts coordinated by the County, County partners, or any other groups or individuals, agrees to Indemnify and hold Montgomery harmless for any injuries, damages or claims arising from participation in the effort.

NOTICE

For Vine Cutting efforts, the individual, organization, business or entity understands that themselves and each participating member is a volunteer, must sign a copy of this form and submit it to MCDOT. Each vine cutting effort must be submitted in writing and receive a written response approving work along the County's right-of-way, BEFORE any efforts take place. Individuals younger than 16 years of age require adult supervision and individuals under 18 require that a parent or legal guardian must sign this form on their behalf

Program volunteers agree to review with all his or her team participants the following terms before the activity:

For safety, designate a Team Coordinator for your group. Coordinators must be at least 21 years old. Individuals younger than 16 years of age require adult supervision.

Carpooling to designated locations is encouraged to keep the number of vehicles to a minimum and park completely off the roadway.

Consuming alcoholic beverages or drugs before or during the cleaning is STRICTLY PROHIBITED. Volunteers should also make an effort to watch out for ticks, bees and snakes. Avoid overexertion and drink plenty of water.

Clean-up and vine cutting activities should be performed off the roadway, during daylight hours and in good weather conditions. Volunteers are to be alert to travelers, especially cars and will not obstruct travel.

Avoid peak traffic times. Volunteers should face oncoming traffic while cleaning, stay clear of the roadway and have a complete first aid kit available at all times.

Clean-up attire should consist of light-colored clothing with long sleeves, heavy gloves, and sturdy-soled footwear. MCDOT provides a limited supply of safety vests, gloves, traffic cones, trash bags, and pick sticks upon request. Fill out the Program's Equipment Request form and submit it to MCDOT to arrange a time for pickup.

By signing this document, I agree to comply with the information above, and I hereby release Montgomery County and its agents and employees from any liability for damages or injuries resulting from participation in any efforts along the County-managed right-of-way.

VOLUNTEERS TYPED NAME: _____ **YOUTH AGE if under 18:** _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

CHECK ONE: Participant signature or ☐

Signature is the participant's parent or legal guardian, if under 18 years of age or in adult in care ☐