



Kern County General Services – Parks and Recreation Adopt-A-Park Interest Form

The Adopt-A-Park program is for individuals, families, businesses, clubs, and other organizations interested in assisting with the maintenance and beautification of our parks by providing general upkeep through trash pickup, graffiti/gum removal, and minor maintenance.

The Kern County General Services – Parks and Recreation will work with the adopting group to determine which park will be adopted for a one-year term. Parks will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. If the Adopter is not meeting the terms or requirements set by the County Parks and Recreation, the County may terminate the agreement. The Adopt-A-Park program will also be a pilot program for those groups who wish to secure a long-term relationship with the County as a formal non-profit friend of the park group. At the end of the year, the County will assess the criteria necessary to qualify and decide to enter in a long-term agreement or continue the Adopt-A-Park program until all criteria is met.

A designated County of Kern representative will meet with the Adopter at the adopted park site at the start of the sponsoring period to discuss cleanup and answer any questions the volunteers may have. The County will provide signage, gloves, bags, and trash pickup/hauling. All volunteers must complete a safety training provided by the County before a cleanup, **no exceptions**. A County Parks and Recreation representative will decide on a schedule with the help from the lead volunteer for a designated period of time. All cleanups must be done during daylight hours.

The Adopter will be responsible for:

- Obtaining the required supplies from the Kern County General Services – Parks and Recreation designated pick up location during regular business hours (8am-5pm Mon-Fri).
- Keep track of the number of volunteers and hours performed on a monthly or bi-monthly basis.
- Making sure that all youth participants are given adequate adult supervision.
- Placing filled trash bags near existing trash containers for disposal by the County
- Notifying the County and designated representative of any safety hazards, concerns, or if equipment or grounds need attention or repairs.
- The lead Volunteer is responsible for making all volunteers/participants sign the liability waiver as well as conducting safety briefings with the provided material from the County of Kern.
- Adopter will call (661) 323-7273 to report any graffiti found in the park.



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Desired Start Date: _____

Preferred Location: _____

Second Choice: _____

Third Choice: _____

Are you a part of an organization or Agency? _____

If yes, which Organization/Agency? _____

Number of volunteers: _____

Lead volunteer name (must be at least 18 years of age): _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Do you plan on Monthly or Bi-Monthly clean-ups? _____

Additional Comments: _____

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM TO:

County of Kern
General Services Division
Parks and Recreation
1115 Truxtun Avenue
3rd floor
Bakersfield, California 93301



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