

# WHY should I sign up?

- Litter is unsightly. It destroys the natural beauty of Hawaii's highways.
- Litter affects our ocean environment both directly and indirectly. Direct impacts occur when marine life is physically harmed by marine debris through ingestion or entanglement. Indirect impacts occur when the clean up of the marine debris results in ecological changes.
- Beautiful highways say "welcome" to visitors and show that we care about our community and our environment.

Pitch in to keep paradise clean!

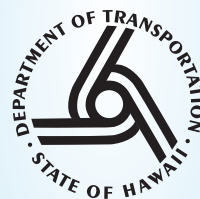


# HOW do I sign up?

If you'd like to adopt a highway, please call the Oahu District Office:

Oahu District Office  
727 Kakoi Street  
Honolulu, HI 96819  
[adopt-a-highway@stormwaterhawaii.com](mailto:adopt-a-highway@stormwaterhawaii.com)

More information is available online at:  
[www.stormwaterhawaii.com/adopt-a-highway](http://www.stormwaterhawaii.com/adopt-a-highway)



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**ADOPT  
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# What is adopt-a-highway?

Adopt-A-Highway is a public service program for volunteers to pick up litter along Hawaii's highways. It's a way for environmentally conscious citizens to make a contribution to a cleaner Hawaii. In addition to a cleaner roadside, participants help to prevent pollutants from entering our storm drains, streams, and the ocean.



# How does it work?

Community groups, churches, businesses, or individuals volunteer to help maintain a section of roadside within Hawaii's State Highway System. The Adopt-A-Highway program provides a great opportunity to promote civic responsibility, community pride, and camaraderie within organizations.

Adopt-A-Highway groups agree to:

- Adopt a 2 mile portion of state highway for a minimum of 2 years.
- Pick up litter on that highway at least 4 times per year.
- Provide safety training for their volunteers before each cleanup.

The State of Hawaii Department of Transportation will:

- Provide high-visibility safety vests, trash bags, gloves and safety information.
- Remove the filled bags from the roadsides and remove heavy or hazardous items.
- Erect a highway sign to recognize your groups cleaning efforts.

# What else should I know?

- The State of Hawaii Department of Transportation will help you select a section of highway to adopt.
- Your group's representative will sign an agreement on behalf of your entire group.
- All participants must be a minimum of 12 years old. Participants 17 years old or younger must have adult supervision, and those under 18 must have a signed parental release form. There must be two adults per 10 participants present at all times for groups with participants under 18.
- Groups should arrange pickup dates in advance with the local highways district office.
- Groups leave filled trash bags along the roadside as specified by the local State of Hawaii Department of Transportation office. Groups are encouraged to recycle.

