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Groups can help keep Kansas highways clean

Litter along the highways has a negative impact on everyone, both residents and visitors to Kansas.

Participating in the Kansas Department of Transportation's (KDOT) Adopt-A-Highway program can have a positive impact on helping to keep the highways clean. With nearly 10,000 miles of highways in Kansas, new groups can always join.

Some of the urban stretches of roadway are open to adopt, and numerous sections in the rural areas are available as well. Groups are asked to sign a two-year agreement with the program, and several groups have been with the program since it started in Kansas in 1990.

Groups clean their sections of roadway three times a year at their convenience. Most choose to schedule a clean-up time in the spring, summer and fall.

Adopt-A-Highway groups are participating in the annual Clean Up Kansas Campaign which is taking place during April. All Adopt-A-Highway groups are encouraged but not required to participate in the statewide event. Motorists are asked to use extra caution as people with bright orange vests will be working next to the highways.

Youth groups with members at least 11 years old and adequate adult supervision are also eligible. KDOT provides each group safety training, trash bags, orange vests and signs for their adopted stretch of highway.

For more information, contact the KDOT office in your area.

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To adopt a section of highway, KDOT phone numbers listed below

(Ask for the Adopt-A-Highway coordinator in the KDOT office located closest to you.)

Northeast Kansas

Topeka, (785) 296-2291

Kansas City Area -

Bonner Springs, (913) 721-2960

Olathe, (913) 764-0987

North Central Kansas

Salina, (785) 823-3754

Northwest Kansas

Norton, (785) 877-3315

Southeast Kansas

Chanute, (620) 431-1000

South Central Kansas

Hutchinson, (620) 663-3361

Southwest Kansas

Garden City, (620) 276-3241