

## Adopt-A-Block Safety Guidelines:

- Only work during daylight hours.
- Try to work with a partner or small group.
- Make sure someone in your group has a cell phone.
- Don't wear earbuds or headphones or anything else that would distract you or prevent you from hearing an approaching motorist.
- Wear appropriate clothing: long pants, long-sleeved shirts, and sturdy footwear.
- Carry water, and use sunscreen, hats and sunglasses when needed.
- Wear gloves to protect your hands and eye protection.
- Sweep, rake, or shovel glass. Do not pick up sharp objects with your hands.
- Avoid contact with potentially hazardous items such as very heavy objects, toxic chemicals, syringes/needles, or dead animals.
- Obey all traffic regulations and laws.
- When possible, stay on the sidewalk. Never walk in the street.
- When working in or around a gutter, work from the sidewalk.
- Cross streets only at designated crosswalks.

**Please notify Oil City Public Works at 678-3022 if you encounter a cleanup situation that requires more tools or resources than your group has on hand.**

## Map of the Oil City Main Street Area



If clean-up is within the Main Street district gloves, trash bags and vests will be provided while supplies last.

## Oil City Main Street Adopt-A-Block Program



### Keeping Our Downtown Clean, Neat & Attractive

*A Downtown Cleanup Program developed by the City of Oil City and the Safe, Clean & Green Committee of the Oil City Main Street Program*

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# Oil City Adopt-A-Block Program

Clean, neat, and litter-free downtown streets are an important standard for any community.

Things like litter, weeds and graffiti are unsightly and can give shoppers, visitors or potential new businesses a negative impression of our downtown. The result? People tend to avoid the area. Which results in lost business.

A neat and clean downtown makes Oil City more attractive to visitors, as well as those of us who live and work here. It makes people want to stay longer and make return visits, and helps to encourage a positive economic impact.

The Safe, Clean & Green Committee of the Oil City Main Street Program invites local groups, organizations, businesses, churches, families, and individuals to join the effort to help keep the downtown areas of Oil City clean, neat and attractive through the Adopt-A-Block program.

The program officially begins in Spring of, 2025. But coordinators have launched an Early Rollout. Let's work together for a crisp, clean fall season!

## How You Can Help

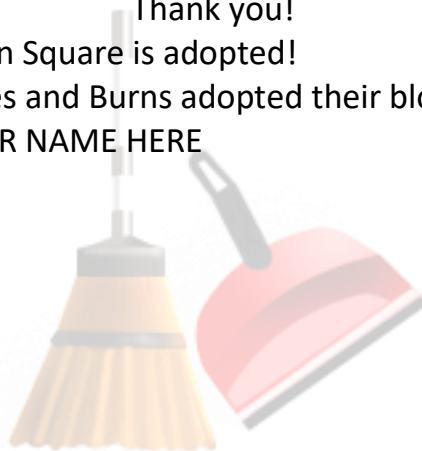
Adopt-A-Block offers volunteers a hands-on opportunity to make a contribution to their community by spending a few hours cleaning and tidying a piece of the city's downtown.

Adopters select a downtown area – large or small. They then commit to “adopt” that section and agree to clean the area at least four times between April 1 and November 30.

After six months of fulfilling the commitment, a sign will be installed to recognize the Adopter's efforts in keeping that segment of Oil City clean and litter-free.

Adopters can choose a downtown area of their preference to adopt, or ask for suggestions from Adopt-A-Block Coordinators.

Thank you!  
Town Square is adopted!  
Gates and Burns adopted their block.  
YOUR NAME HERE



## Your Commitment

Adopting groups must commit to:

- Remove litter, pull or cut weeds, sweep up and do any other cleanup work the group is able to perform along sidewalks, curb, gutters and parking lots in the designated area at least four times during the April-through-November program year.
- Only commit to activities that are within your group's capabilities.
- Provide adult supervision for youth volunteers. At least one adult
- supervisor is required for every five volunteers under age 18.
- Follow safety guidelines.
- Accept responsibility for volunteers during a cleanup event.

## How to Sign Up

Call Oil City Public Works at 678-3022 or Oil City Main Street Program at 677-3152. for a registration form.

***Be an Early Adopter!***  
Register now to coordinate your summer/fall cleaning. Be one of the first to earn your Adoption sign in 2024!