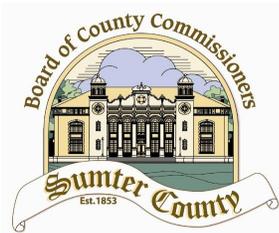


HOW DO YOU GET STARTED?

- Interesting organization/group or individual should contact Sumter County Public Works by telephone or stopping by the office. (Contact info below)
- An inquiry package is available for pickup or can be mailed to you.
- Inquiry package consists of guide lines, safety procedures and draft copy of the agreement.
- Once package has been reviewed, contact Public Works if interested in preceding with the road adoption.

THE CHOICE IS AN EASY ONE...

BUT IT TAKES SOME WORK.



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sumter County Public Works
319 E. Anderson Avenue
Bushnell, FL 33513
352-569-6700

LIFE SPAN OF LITTER

ITEM	DECOMPOSITION TIME
Rope	3 - 14 months
Candy wrapper	1— 3 months
Piece of paper	2—4 weeks
Orange or Banana peel	2—5 weeks
Cotton rag	1—5 months
Painted wooden stake	13 years
Nylon fabric	30—40 years
Leather	Up to 50 years
Rubber boot sole	50—80 years
Aluminum can	200—500 years
Plastic 6-pack cover	450 years
Glass bottle	1 million years



Sumter County

Public Works

Adopt-A-Highway Program



Looking for a way
to contribute to our community...
the environment... or your neighborhood?

Want an activity you can do outside
in the fresh air!

Every year thousands of visitors get their first glimpse of our County from their car window as they travel our roads.

First impressions can be lasting. Do we want them to see miles of roadway cluttered with litter? Or clean, green tree lined roads that represent the County's natural beauty?

Since February 1996, Sumter County's Adopt-A-Highway program has helped improve the appearance of county rights-of-way throughout Sumter County. The program has reduced the cost of litter removal.

Efforts from organizations and individuals participating in the program, eases the load on our road crews, enabling them to devote more time to road maintenance and special road projects.

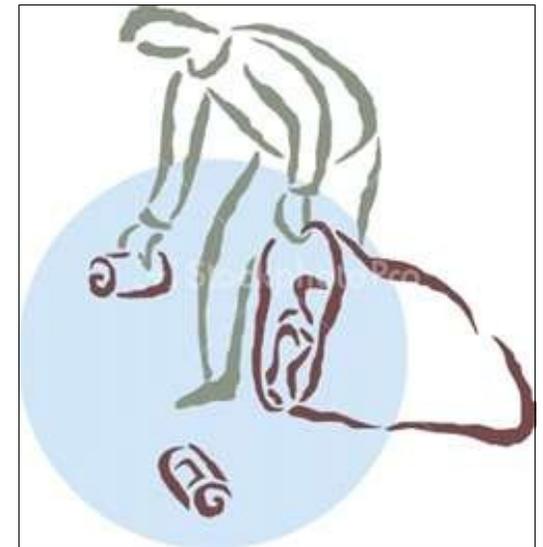
GETTING INVOLVED IS EASY!

WHAT DOES "ADOPTION" CONSIST OF?

- A group or individual commits to taking care of at least a two (2) mile segment of road for two (2) years.
- A total of four (4) pick-ups per year
- A safety video must be viewed by the group/organization before a pickup can be done.
- There's no cost to the group or individual
- The County supplies safety vests, trash bags, and "Work Zone" signs for each scheduled pick up
- The County also installs blue Adopt-A-Highway signs crediting your group/organization
- The County provides pick up service for roadside trash left at sign.

WHO CAN ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY?

- ♦ Individuals
- ♦ Community Service Groups
- ♦ Business
- ♦ Churches
- ♦ School Club
- ♦ Neighborhood Organization
- ♦ Garden Clubs



The volunteers' reward is civic pride that comes from knowing that you have made a difference in your community!