### THIS ALL SOUNDS AWESOME, NOW WHAT?

- Visit our website: www.Lodi -NJ.org/cleancommunities or www.Lodi-NJ.org/ AdoptASpot to view adoptable locations
- Complete the Adopt-A-Spot Application and Terms of Agreement: www.Lodi-NJ.org/cleancommunities or www.Lodi-NJ.org/ *AdoptASpot*
- Submit both forms to:

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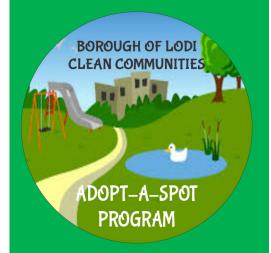


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A Borough of Lodi **Clean Communities Program** 

## WHAT IS THE ADOPT-A-SPOT PROGRAM?

The goal of the Adopt-a-Spot program is to not only provide a community involvement opportunity through volunteering while significantly improving the environmental and aesthetic quality of our Borough's parks and public spaces but to create a strong sense of community ownership, responsibility and pride. All Adopt-a-Spot projects should aim towards benefiting the majority our residents who visit our parks and public spaces..

#### WHO CAN ADOPT-A-SPOT?

Individuals and residents of all ages, community groups and organizations, special interest groups, businesses, schools and families are all welcomed to adopt a Borough park/public space [Youth 16 years of age or younger must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times during activities].

#### WHY ADOPT-A-SPOT?

To help keep our parks/public spaces safe and clean. Litter is unsafe, unsanitary, pervasive and potentially persistent. With your help park-goers and residents, including yourself will enjoy a safer, more pleasant experience and more fun adventures in our parks/ public spaces. Be part of a service that makes a visible, tangible difference. As a thank you and in recognition of the adopter's hard work and dedication an acknowledgment sign will be installed in the adopted park/public space. A press release will also be submitted to local news outlets to announce the adoption.

## IS THERE A COST TO ADOPT-A-SPOT?

It is free to adopt but time commitments are necessary to complete tasks and projects.

# WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT FOR ADOPTING A SPOT?

By adopting a park/public space the volunteer(s) can clean up as frequently as they choose but we do require a minimum of four (4) tasks/projects per year [one (1) each quarter] It is the responsibility of the adopter's contact person to organize the tasks/projects and to inform the Borough's Clean Communities Coordinator prior to scheduling.

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### WHAT TYPES OF TASKS/ PROJECTS WILL BE INVOLVED?

Each park/public space in the Borough provides different amenities and has different needs. These needs may vary throughout the year. The needs of each park/open space will be outlined in the work plan that will be provided to adopters upon submission and approval of the application. Examples of tasks or projects include:

- Litter Pick-Up
- Graffiti Removal
- Flower Planting
- Landscape Bed Maintenance
- Pruning
- Spreading Mulch
- Cleaning Playground Equipment
- Raking & Collecting Leaves
- Minor Repairs
- Painting

If a group would like to perform a special task/project at their park they must first receive approval from the Borough's Clean Communities Coordinator.

DETAILS REGARDING THE MINI-GRANT WILL BE DISCUSSED PRE-ADOPTION