



ADOPT A PARK OR TRAIL IN YOUR AREA!



About Our Programs

Adopt-A-Park (AAP) and Adopt-A-Trail (AAT) are citywide volunteer programs that recruit and train residents to assist in the general care and maintenance of neighborhood parks, trails, and other parkland on City property. AAP/AAT also educates the public about creating and preserving clean and safe parks and trails for everyone.

What You Can Do

Volunteers can:

- Pick up litter
- Remove graffiti
- Sweep courts and pathways
- Care for ecosystems
- Report problems
- Rake leaves
- Report park hazards
- Pull weeds
- Plant native plants



Initial Adoption Process

- The group leader or individual must complete, sign and return the *Adoption Proposal and Agreement* form. All group members must sign and return the *Volunteer Service Agreement / Adult* and *Volunteer Service Agreement / Minor* as appropriate by age of your group members. Minors are required to have a parent or guardian signature.
- AAP/AAT staff will process your forms and contact you with your notice of approval or denial.

Adopt-A-Park and Adopt-A-Trail Training

- Once your adoption is approved, City staff will train the group leader, group or individual to do the tasks for which you have volunteered and provide you with starter materials.
- Volunteers are required to read, understand, and abide by the Safety Guidelines in the handbook and must abide by all park and trail rules and ordinances.
- Once you are trained, you or your group will be considered active volunteers!

For more information and forms: visit www.sjadoptapark.org, call (408) 793-4190, or e-mail adoptapark@sanjoseca.gov