



**CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE**  
**Adopt-A-Park Program**

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The Adopt-A-Park program is a program sponsored by the City of Arroyo Grande to enhance the condition and quality of our parks through sponsorships and volunteer service.

Adopt-A-Park offers individuals, neighborhoods, groups, schools, organizations and businesses the opportunity to take an active role in the beautification of our community and help support the City's park system and green space. The investment you make in your community is truly an investment in your own property.

The Adopt-A-Park program agreement is for one year and is renewable. You may participate with a group or organization to clean and beautify your adopted park, donate amenities or sponsor major projects. Once the Adopt-A-Park Agreement is complete and approved, every individual who participates in the Volunteer Improvement Program must sign a Volunteer Waiver before undertaking any actions at the adopted park.

### **Why should I Adopt-A-Park?**

- Help keep our parks beautiful.
- Give our children a safe place to play.
- Show pride in your Arroyo Grande community.
- Make a meaningful, long-lasting contribution to Arroyo Grande.

### **Three Steps to Adopt-A-Park**

1. Choose a park or open space to adopt.
2. Select the type of adoption from the following
  - Volunteer Improvement Program
  - Donations/Major Projects Sponsorship
3. Submit and receive approval for your Adopt-A-Park Application to the Arroyo Grande Recreation Services and Public Works Departments.

### **Volunteer Improvement Program: What can I do for my 'Adopted Park'?**

If you or your organization is involved in a Volunteer Improvement Program, you may:

1. Pick up litter and debris.
2. Clean and paint buildings or other designated structures or equipment.
3. Remove graffiti.
4. Plant trees or shrubs and/or maintain the adopted area with assistance/approval from the Public Works Department.
5. Pull weeds.

### **Donations/Major Projects Sponsorships: How can I support my 'Adopted Park'?**

If you or your organization would like to donate resources or money, your donation may be applied to a park project or need identified by City Staff such as:

1. Purchase/install/replace identified park amenities with options approved by Public Works (park benches, BBQ's, picnic tables, brick walkways, bell boxes, bells, steps).
2. Sponsor the cost of repairs or upgrades for your Adopted Park (update/install signage, repair fencing, upgrade storage containers, etc.).
3. Cover the cost of a large-scale project (park lighting, playground equipment, sidewalks, etc.).

### **Park Projects and Needs Identified by City Staff for Donations/Major Project Sponsorships:**

Rancho Grande Park

- Rebuild Horse shoe pits
- Remove grass/add wood chips (next to sun dial and north side of park)
- Plant trees along property line with neighboring church

Oro Park

- Re-establish Volley Ball court
- Create park sign

#### Strother Park

- Replace playground equipment
- Extend fence around ramp on either side
- Level ramp out for easy access
- Rebuild Horse shoe pits
- Add picnic table
- Add pedestrian foot-bridge to connect across creek
- New recycling bins to match others in City

#### Railroad Monument

- Improve/update signage

#### Back of Council Building

- New picnic tables

#### Centennial Park

- New drinking fountain
- Install new BBQ (Public Works has one)
- Replace wood boards on steps down to creek
- Re-level circled bricks in parking lot
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#### Firehouse/Demonstration Garden

- Extend river of rocks to complete rock design

#### Triangle Park

- Check Master Plans for park; upgrade as deemed

### Woman's Club Community Center

- Clean up landscaping (sweep, rake leaves, pick up trash, take away dead branches, etc.)
- Add woodchips with the help of Public Works
- Fix railing along steps from upper parking lot with guidance from Public Works

### Newport Greenspace

- Maintain landscaping

### Street ways green spaces

- Pull weeds in 'bulb outs' on either side of the street
- Trim suckers off trees

### James Way Open Space

- Add bench next to Windmill
- Clean up debris; refill any holes, etc.
- Clean up water way in creek bed
- Build pedestrian bridge for access during rainy season

### Elm Street Park/Soto Sports Complex

- Trash pick-up (weekly)
- Pull weeds in center aisles in Community Garden
- Assist with spreading wood chips where needed
- Assist with the Playground Improvement Project



# CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE GROUP VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

## Main Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Type of Project

1.  Group Service Project                       Eagle Scout Project                       Adopt-A-Park

2.  Ongoing Project

-OR-

Date(s) of Project: \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Project: \_\_\_\_\_ to: \_\_\_\_\_

Park/Location/Site: \_\_\_\_\_

## Group Information

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Number of Volunteers: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Age Range of Volunteers: \_\_\_\_\_

## Person(s) to Notify in Case of an Emergency

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Project Information

Description of Work:

## Equipment/Supplies Your Group Can Provide:

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## CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE GROUP VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

### Agreement and Signature

- I understand and agree to the project concept stated above.
- I understand that this contract may be terminated at any time for not following the guidelines set-forth for the designated program.
- As directed, I will obtain signed Volunteer Applications from all participants and deliver to the department contact before work begins (\*if under 18, need parent's signature).
- I agree all youth under the age of 15 will be accompanied by an adult.
- I agree to coordinate work schedule details with the department contact.
- I agree this project will be completed by above-stated date(s) or I will notify the department contact.
- I understand and agree that I am volunteering my services without any anticipation of financial compensation.

By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. I understand that if I am accepted as a volunteer, any false statements, omissions, or other misrepresentations made by me on this application may result in my immediate dismissal. I authorize the City to perform a background check as necessitated by the volunteer position for which I am applying. Volunteers will be notified in advance if a background check is required. I, individually and on behalf of my heirs, successors and assigns, do hereby release, waive, discharge and relinquish City of Santa Rosa and its officers, employees, and agents from any liability, loss, damage, claim, demand or cause of action for personal injury, property damage or death against them arising from or attributable to my participation in the volunteer activity, whether same shall arise by their negligence or otherwise. Furthermore, I warrant that I am in good health and have no physical condition that would prevent me from volunteering in this capacity.

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **If under 18, Parent/Guardian authorization is required**

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address City ZIP Code*

Mailing Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Name/Organization/Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Accommodations: \_\_\_\_\_

## VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT WAIVER & RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I acknowledge my volunteering does not come without the risk of injury or harm; I accept this risk, and assume responsibility for all liability and risk associated with my participation. I agree to hold harmless, release, waive and forever discharge the City of Arroyo Grande, its employees, departments, officers and agents, from any and all claims or demands I may have by reason of any accident, illness, injury, loss, destruction or damage to property, arising or resulting directly or indirectly from my participation in this activity. I further covenant not to bring any legal action against the City of Arroyo Grande, its employees, departments, officers and agents, for any injury, loss or damage resulting from my participation in this activity.

This Waiver and Release is contractual and not a mere recital and applies whether or not injury or loss resulting from this activity is caused by an act or omission of the City, its employees, departments, officers or agents, negligent or otherwise.

This Waiver and Release is binding on my heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, and all of my family members, and applies to all losses, whether known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, related to my participation in this activity.

I hereby grant permission to the City of Arroyo Grande to use photographs of me taken during this activity on its website and in other publications, at the City's sole discretion and without further consideration.

I certify that all statements on this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby authorize the City of Arroyo Grande to investigate any information contained in this application.

I understand that false or misleading statements or failure to follow the rules and requirements of the program shall be sufficient grounds for disqualification from the City's Volunteer Program.

Further, I understand that as a volunteer, I am offering my services of my own free will without any expectation of compensation or benefits of any kind.

This Waiver and Release was executed on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ in Arroyo Grande, California.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Participant's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### [If participant is a minor the following must be completed.]

I/We are the parents/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, a minor. We hereby consent to said minor's participation in the City of Arroyo Grande's Volunteer Program and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Arroyo Grande from any claim for injuries or damage that said minor may have against the City of Arroyo Grande by reason of his or her participation in the program. In addition, I/We waive all rights we may have under California Code of Civil Procedure Section 376, which provides for a parent's cause of action for injury to his or her child.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Parent/Guardian Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date





**CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE**  
**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION**

I hereby acknowledge that as a volunteer for the Agency in the capacity of volunteer, I am not an employee of the City of Arroyo Grande, but that I am covered under the City's Workers' Compensation plan since the City has adopted a resolution extending Workers' Compensation coverage to certain volunteers in specified categories pursuant to Labor Code Section 3363.5.

As a volunteer who is covered under the City's Workers' Compensation plan, I expressly agree and acknowledge that Workers' Compensation is my exclusive remedy for any injury suffered while performing said volunteer duties, and that I cannot and will not seek to bring any other claim or actions of any type whatsoever against the City, its employees, officers, agencies, other volunteers and officials.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian Signature (if minor):

\_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Please specify area(s) of interest to volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

How often would you like to volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_

Days/Times Available:

Sun                      Mon                      Tues                      Wed                      Thurs                      Fri                      Sat
