

Beautify Downtown DeBary Adopt a Planter

The City of DeBary and its
Streetscape Advisory Committee invite

- Individuals
- Families
- Civic groups
- Neighborhood associations
- Churches
- Businesses
- Other organizations

to participate in its **ADOPT A PLANTER PROGRAM**



VOLUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Your help is needed to sustain this element of the City's Beautification Plan. Show you care about improving the looks of DeBary's thoroughfare by adopting a planter. By working together, we can enhance our city's appearance and boost community pride.

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Adopt a Planter Program

Have you noticed the attractive trees, shrubs and plants in the large clay planters along U.S. 17-92 in DeBary? The planters are sponsored by your friends, neighbors, civic groups and businesses in DeBary who have chosen to show their community pride through the City's Adopt a Planter Program. The City encourages individuals and organizations to consider adopting a planter. By working together, we can greatly enhance the city's appearance for both residents and visitors.

Answers to the most frequently asked questions about the program are listed below. Please contact DeBary City Hall at (386) 668-2040 ext. 305 for additional information.

What Is The Purpose of the Program?

The Adopt a Planter Program was established in 2006 as a component element of the City's Beautification Plan to enhance the appearance of the US Highway 17-92 in the downtown area. It is governed by the City's Streetscape Advisory Committee.

Who Can Adopt a Planter?

Volunteers who may adopt the planters include individuals, families, civic groups, churches, neighborhood associations, businesses, and other groups.

What is The Sponsor's Responsibility?

It is the responsibility of the sponsor to care for the adopted planter, including the purchase and placement of plants, weeding, fertilizing, mulching, and watering as necessary.

What is the Adoption Term Commitment?

The sponsorship agreement is for a 24-month period, which may be extended if Streetscape Advisory Committee determines the appearance of the planter has improved the quality of the environment.

What Plants Should Be Placed in the Planter?

A list of 46 best suited understory trees, shrubs, grasses, and plants is available at City Hall.

Which Planters Are Available for Adoption?

Generally, if a planter does not have an affixed plaque, it is available for adoption. Contact City Hall for a complete list of available planters.

Are You Interested in Adopting a Planter?

Please contact City Hall for additional information on the Adopt a Planter Program, including a complete list of guidelines, suggested plant materials, and an application. All applications are subject to approval by the City Manager.

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ADOPT A PLANTER PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The City of DeBary Adopt a Planter Program is a component of the City's Beautification Plan to enhance the aesthetic environment of US Highway 17/92.

This Program establishes a partnership between volunteers, residents and/or businesses, by working together in the efforts to beautify the City's main thoroughfare.

Through an adoption, volunteers have the responsibility of purchasing, installing and maintaining flora in the planter as stipulated in the agreement between the volunteer and the City of DeBary according to the following guidelines:

1. Only approved volunteers may adopt a planter. Participants must have an approved application on file through the City of DeBary. Each application is subject to an approval process; acceptance is not guaranteed. If an application to adopt a planter is approved, the volunteer shall be known as a Planter Sponsor.
2. Planter Sponsor(s) will enter into an agreement with the City of DeBary for a 24-month period. At the end of 24 months from the date of the agreement, this period may be extended if it is a consensus of the City of DeBary's Streetscape Advisory Committee that the appearance of the planter has improved the quality of the environment. If the appearance of the planter does not meet approval by the DeBary Streetscape Advisory Committee, the City reserves the right to terminate Planter Sponsorship.
3. Commitment by the Planter Sponsor(s) to maintain the planter so the contents are consistently attractive throughout all seasons of the year.
4. Planter Sponsor(s) is responsible for providing adult supervision for participants who are seventeen (17) and under.
5. Planter Sponsor is required to maintain adequate drinking water while performing maintenance on the planter.
6. It is prohibited to possess or consume alcoholic beverages while performing maintenance on the planter.
7. Planter Sponsor is prohibited from either subcontracting or assigning its duties and responsibilities to any other group, organization, or individuals.

CITY OF DeBARY Adopt a Planter Guidelines

8. The Adopt a Planter agreement between the City of DeBary and the Planter Sponsor shall also contain the names of other individuals, if any, who would assist the Planter Sponsor in the maintenance of the planter and be known as Planter Helpers. Please list any names that may be helpers; this does not mean that these helpers have to participate.
9. The Planter Sponsor is responsible to ensure all guidelines are followed in the maintenance of the planter.
10. If the Planter Sponsor makes any changes, such as address or telephone, it is his/her responsibility to notify the City of DeBary, in a timely manner, with the updated information.
11. The City of DeBary Streetscape Advisory Committee shall be responsible for placing a sign on the planter with an inscription selected by the Planter Sponsor. Telephone numbers, addresses or logos are not allowed.

The safety of all Sponsors and Helpers working on planters is very important to all parties and it is highly recommended the safety precautions listed below be observed.

SAFETY

- Sponsors should have water and a safety kit available at all times.
- Participants should wear appropriate clothing, i.e., bright clothes and hard-soled shoes.
- Each participant must wear a safety vest. Vests are available at City Hall and should be returned upon conclusion of agreement.
- Where possible, work should be performed from a minimum of two (2) feet from the pavement. Work is not to be performed from the road surface.
- Horseplay is strictly forbidden.
- Alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs are strictly forbidden while performing maintenance of the planter.
- Maintenance of planters should be performed only during daylight hours.
- The Planter Sponsor shall have a copy of all the information, telephone numbers and safety guidelines provided to all participants.

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SUGGESTED PLANT MATERIALS

UNDERSTORY TREES

Bottlebrush
Crepe Myrtle
Dahoun Holly
Desert Cassia
East Palatka Holly
Hibiscus
Italian Cypress
Japanese Blueberry
Japanese Maple
Kumquat
Lemon Tree
Ligustrum
Lime Tree
Little Gem Magnolia
Loquat
Mary Nell Holly
Nellie R Stevens Holly
Torulosa
Valencia Orange
White Bird

SHRUBS, GRASSES, GROUND COVERS

African Ibis
Annuals
Asian Jasmine
Azaleas (Red Ruffle)
Aztec Grass
Bird of Paradise
Black-eyed Susan
Blue Daze
Daylilies
Dune Sunflower
Dwarf Shellings Holly
Firecracker Plant
Gardenia (Dwarf)
Indian Hawthorn
Ixora
Lantana/Purple Trailing or New Gold
Liriope
Mexican Heather
Muhly Grass
Pentas
Plumbago
Roses
Society Garlic
Variegated Ginger
Verbena
Xanado Philodendron

ARTIFICIAL PLANTS ARE NOT PERMITTED