

Adopt a Park

Overview

Adopting a park can look different depending on community needs. Essentially cleaning up the park, having a table of resources or food to give away, and offering prayer to local members of the community is the heart of this outreach.

Activity Prep and Execution

Obtain a table, chairs, literature, food & water to give away. PA system is optional for worship music or open mic preaching/testimony. Set up in a park in a neighborhood that has an evident need. This may be a park that has been neglected and is full of trash. Have 2-3 volunteers stay at the table to give away Bibles, TC brochures, and Bible tracts. Having simple food and water items helps attract people to the area for a tangible need being met and opens the door for a witnessing opportunity.

Teams of 2 or 3 are sent out around the park with trash bags, gloves, and trash pickers to clean up the fields and playground equipment. In preparation for discovering possible drug paraphernalia bring a proper sharps disposal container.

Volunteer Needs

5-6 workers who are good with people, willing to pray, and comfortable cleaning up trash. Make sure these individuals are solid in their understanding of faith and not intimidating.

Items Needed

- Table
- 2-3 chairs
- 4-6 trash pickers
- Box of contractor trash bags
- Box of disposable gloves
- Hand sanitizer
- Bottles of water
- Box of chips
- Sandwiches
- TC literature
- Bibles/Tracts
- PA system

Budget

- Approximately \$150-\$200 for cleanup items (reuse pickers for next outreach)
- ATC and local church/community services literature for the table
- Food items optional (\$100)
- PA system optional (\$100-200)

Potential Partners

- Local churches for volunteers
- Community organizations