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**REDD UP ZONE
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Office of Mayor Luke Ravenstahl

Dear Neighbors,

Pittsburgh is a beautiful City, but it takes the dedicated work of volunteers to keep it that way.

I am pleased to announce a new program, Redd Up Zone, that will engage volunteers in street beautification and blight reduction. Through this program, businesses and organizations will recruit volunteers to adopt a "Redd Up Zone," committing to year-round cleanups in a designated area as well as tracking neighborhood maintenance concerns for the City to address. In recognition of their commitment, the City of Pittsburgh will provide street signage that publically acknowledges the groups' commitment to keeping Pittsburgh litter-free, along with the necessary materials and resources that they need to get the job done.

Litter and illegally dumped materials attract crime, repel economic development in urban areas, and indicate a loss of community pride. Redd Up Zone provides opportunities and support for volunteers to combat blight and beautify their neighborhood in partnership with the City of Pittsburgh.

Thank you to the countless community groups and organizations who *already* work to keep their neighborhoods and communities clean. I appreciate the precedent that you have set for local residents and I hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to join a Pittsburgh-wide effort to keep our streets beautiful.

Redd Up Zone is one of my signature servePGH programs, which promote citizen service to impact local challenges. For more information, please check out servepgh.pittsburghpa.gov, email servepgh@city.pittsburgh.pa.us or call 412-255-2280.

I hope that you will consider participating in this program and join me in my effort to "Redd Up" the City of Pittsburgh!

Sincerely,

Luke Ravenstahl
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Mayor Ravenstahl's Redd Up Zone Application

1) Provide your contact information

Name of volunteer group, organization, or business:	First and last name of primary contact:
Street Address:	Phone number of primary contact:
City, state, and zip code:	Email address of primary contact:
*Brief description of volunteer group, organization, or business:	First and last name of secondary contact:
	Phone number of secondary contact:
	Email address of secondary contact:

**When you adopt a Redd Up Zone, a Clean Pittsburgh Commission Steward active in the neighborhood of your adopted zone will be informed of your work and may contact you. Upon your acceptance, you will receive more details regarding this.*

2) Indicate the streets you would like to adopt and tentative dates for your initial cleanups

- a. List the streets you are adopting by specifying their exact location and zip code(s). **For example: Penn Ave between 10th and 21st St, 15222.** If possible, attach a map indicating desired route.

Street segments: _____

Zip code: _____

- b. List the tentative dates of your first four (4) cleanups

1. ____/____/____ (month/day/year)

2. ____/____/____

3. ____/____/____

4. ____/____/____

3) Tell us how you learned about Redd Up Zone

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Word of mouth
<input type="checkbox"/> Redd Up Zone website
<input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Newsletter
<input type="checkbox"/> Cleanup event | <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor's Neighborhood Message
<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper
<input type="checkbox"/> Clean Pittsburgh Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____ |
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4) Read and sign the Redd Up Zone agreement

As the designated primary contact person for my Redd Up Zone volunteer group, I agree to:

- Adopt at least 1/2 mile of City streets by completing a *minimum* of four (4) cleanups each year along the adopted streets for the next two years. By adopting a Redd Up Zone, I am taking responsibility for the cleanliness of that zone. Cleanups should be completed as necessary, with a *minimum* of four (4) cleanups occurring each year.
- Contact the Redd Up Zone Coordinator at least two (2) weeks prior to the cleanup event in order to request supplies and coordinate the event.
- Assure that all volunteers are responsible individuals and that participating minors under the age of 18 are provided with adult supervision.
- Assure that all volunteers are physically able to perform cleanup tasks.
- Discuss safety precautions with volunteers using the Redd Up Zone Safety First Guidelines (provided upon acceptance). Volunteers should avoid contact with items that have the potential to be hazardous or cause injury, such as heavy objects or syringes, needles, used prophylactics, animal carcasses, etc.
- Have volunteers sign-in for **each** cleanup using the Redd Up Zone Volunteer Sign-In/Wavier Sheet (provided upon acceptance). The sign-in/wavier sheet must be returned to the Office of Mayor Luke Ravenstahl after each cleanup.
- Report information on **all** cleanups, whether or not trash pick-up is needed, to the Redd Up Zone Coordinator (contact information provided upon acceptance).
- Report all concerns or issues along the adopted segment using the Neighborhood Concerns Form (provided upon acceptance) for **each** cleanup.
- Assure that the Redd Up Zone Supply Kit and all unused supplies are **returned within three (3) business days** after **each** cleanup to the Public Works Traffic Division at *2625 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222*.

The City of Pittsburgh agrees to:

- Provide supplies for cleanup operations. Supplies include garbage bags, gloves, and the Redd Up Zone Supply Kit.
- Install two Redd Up Zone signs at requested locations, recognizing the efforts of the group, organization, or business.
- Coordinate the removal and disposal of **two or more** full bags of collected litter and/or compostable street debris and leaves from the project site at no cost to volunteers.
- Amend concerns or issues as reported by groups in the Neighborhood Concerns Form (provided upon acceptance), as feasible.

I have read and reviewed this agreement and agree to fulfill the terms of participation outlined for Redd Up Zone volunteers.

Signature of primary contact:

Date:

Upon acceptance to the Redd Up Zone program, you will receive an information packet that includes the Redd Up Sign Recognition information form, Event Coordinator checklist, Safety First Guidelines, and Volunteer Sign-in and Waiver sheet, and Neighborhood Concerns Submission Form.

Return completed application form to Office of Mayor Luke Ravenstahl, c/o servePGH, 512 City-County Building, 414 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, email servepgh@city.pittsburgh.pa.us or fax to 412-255-2867. Contact the Redd Up Zone Coordinator with questions at 412-255-2280.



Mayor Ravenstahl's Redd Up Zone Frequently Asked Questions

1. As a volunteer, how many cleanups am I required to perform?

As a Redd Up Zone volunteer, you agree to complete a minimum of four cleanups/year (preferably one every three months) for two years. More frequent cleanups are encouraged.

2. Can schools, churches, community organizations and businesses adopt a 'Redd Up Zone'?

Absolutely! We encourage schools, churches, community organizations, businesses and other groups to participate in our Redd Up Zone program as a way to promote community ownership and revitalization in their neighborhoods.

3. What supplies and support will the City provide if I adopt a street?

Volunteers can borrow cleanup supplies from the City's Department of Public Works for their cleanups. It is the responsibility of the adopter to arrange to pick up and return of the supplies borrowed for your project. In addition to supplying trash bags and gloves, volunteers can request to borrow a Redd Up Zone Supply Kit, which contains 5 brooms, 5 dustpans, 5 nifty nabbers, 1 five-gallon bucket, 2 hedge clippers, and 10 safety vests. Supplies must be scheduled to be picked up in advance from the Public Works Traffic Division at 2625 Liberty Avenue in the Strip District. All unused supplies and the Redd Up Zone Supply Kit must be returned to the Public Works Traffic Division within three (3) business days after a cleanup. Volunteers will also receive a Neighborhood Concerns Form to track issues for the City to address as feasible.

In addition, as a Redd Up Zone Adopter you are entitled to receive two Redd Up Zone signs to be placed in your adopted segment recognizing your contribution.

4. How do I get rid of the litter that I collected?

The City disposes of collected litter by Redd Up Zone volunteers for free! To schedule a pick-up, please contact the Redd Up Zone Coordinator at 412-255-2280 or servepgh@city.pittsburgh.pa.us and provide the following information:

- a. Your name and phone number.
- b. Name of the organization, group, or business.
- c. Number of hours spent on the cleanup.
- d. Number of volunteers who participated.
- e. Estimated pounds of litter that need to be picked up (One full bag of litter is approximately 20 pounds).
- f. Location of bags (must be left on public property).

5. How can I find out if there is a Redd Up Zone group in my neighborhood?

Visit the Redd Up Zone website at servepgh.pittsburghpa.gov for a map of adopted streets, contact us via email at servepgh@city.pittsburgh.pa.us or call 412-255-2280.

6. Can I adopt streets outside of City limits?

The Redd Up Zone program is only for City of Pittsburgh streets.