



## Who should take part in the Adopt-A-Stream Program?

- Citizens
- Service Groups
- Conservation Organizations
- Municipalities
- Educators
- Middle and High School Students
- Businesses

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## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Sheboygan River Basin Partnership developed the Adopt-A-Stream Program to encourage connections between people and their local streams and rivers. The goal of the program is to engage citizens in stream based projects that connect them to their local waterways and educate the community about their watershed, while at the same time protecting and improving streams and rivers in the Sheboygan River Basin.

The program offers a variety of projects for people of different interests, ages and skill levels. Some activities call for action once per year and others require participation throughout the year. Projects included in the Adopt-A-Stream Program typically are administered by a state or national agency or organization. The data you may collect as a Stream Friend can be entered into a web-based database or submitted to the administering group and shared and analyzed with others across the state or nation!



## GETTING INVOLVED

### How do I participate?

To participate in the program, individuals or groups need to do at least one activity a year from the Adopt-A-Stream Program. A \$30 yearly enrollment fee is collected to cover costs of program administration, materials and newsletters.

### How do I choose a project?

Projects are categorized by skill level and time commitment. It is recommended that groups or individuals first participate in Step I and II projects, before deciding to undertake a Step III project. All the level I and II projects are existing projects that offer training materials or guidelines and data sharing opportunities. Step III projects are more advanced and require some existing knowledge of the stream as well as individually designed restoration and protection activities. These projects should be advised and assisted by a SRBP director. You can also participate in or fund an existing project such as Willow Creek Protection or Fisherman's Creek Restoration.

### What do I get?

All Stream Friends are recognized on the Sheboygan River Basin Partnership website and in newsletters. They also have access to the expertise and resources SRBP provides. Stream Friends are automatically enrolled as SRBP members and will receive the SRBP newsletters, announcements of events and project updates. Stream Friends are eligible to be nominated for an annual SRBP Watershed Leadership Award.

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

The program encompasses many projects for "Stream Friends" of all ages and skill levels including:

- Stream Clean-up
- Storm Drain Stenciling
- Nature Mapping
- Stream Walk Survey
- National Secchi Dip-In
- Water Action Volunteer Monitoring
- Testing the Waters
- Angler Education
- Fish Passage Survey
- Bird Surveys
- Weed Watcher - Invasive Species
- Nesting Box
- Stream Restoration and Protection
- Willow Creek Protection
- Fisherman's Creek Restoration
- Monetary Sponsorship

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