



BLOOM with XENIA Adopt-A-Spot

March 2020

The City of Xenia Board for Recreation, Arts, and Cultural Activities (**BRACA**) is once again collaborating with the Greene County Master Gardeners (**GCMG**) for the annual “**BLOOM with XENIA ... Adopt-A-Spot**” program!

This collaborative effort was born in 2010 by the Greene County Master Gardeners based on the City’s ongoing need for support to maintain, enhance, and beautify the flower beds and flower pots located in and around our downtown. Due to the City’s significant budget cuts and reduction in staffing in recent years, the flower beds and flower pots were not given priority treatment—and we want to change that ... **one flower at a time!**

This year, we will once again launch the “**BLOOM with XENIA ... Adopt-A-Spot**” program to allow individuals, families, businesses, community groups, non-profits, church groups, PTOs, etc., to adopt downtown flower beds and flower pots. In total, there are 36 flower beds and 34 flower pots. The **City of Xenia** will provide the following support:

- Flowers for 4 flower pots around the Justice Center (formerly known as “City Hall”)
- Routine watering will be done by City Public Service Workers (*more frequent watering may need to be done by the adoptee depending on the weather)
- The City of Xenia will provide mulch for all flower beds ~ contact Keith Koch, Xenia Public Service Supervisor, at 376-7275 (office)
- Publicity of the program to include signs to acknowledge the adoptees of each flower bed or flower pot

The **Greene County Master Gardeners** will provide general support for those wanting to adopt a flower bed or flower pot.

Can we count on **YOU** to help Xenia grow, **BLOOM**, and prosper? Will you **Adopt-A-Spot** and help us make Xenia a more beautiful place to live, work, and play? Contact Nelson King at 937-266-0868 or nubertx@yahoo.com as soon as possible to claim your **Spot!** For general questions about the program, you can also contact Xenia City Councilman Wes Smith, who serves as Chair of BRACA, at 937-620-5931 or at wsmith@ci.xenia.oh.us.

We look forward to having you “**BLOOM with XENIA!**” Visit www.eXploreXenia.com to learn more and search for “**Bloom with Xenia!**”



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APPLICATION FOR ADOPTION OF FLOWER BED/FLOWER POT

- NAME OF GROUP/INDIVIDUAL/BUSINESS _____
- CONTACT PERSON _____
- CONTACT E-MAIL _____
- CONTACT PHONE NUMBER _____
- CONTACT ADDRESS _____
- DO YOU ALREADY HAVE A MASTER GARDENER (MG) CONTACT? YES / NO
*If not, one will be provided.
- IF YES, WHO IS YOUR MG CONTACT/COORDINATOR?
NAME _____ PHONE NO. _____

We/I promise to maintain the designated flower bed(s) or flower pot(s) from June 1, 2020 (or from the date of this contract if after June 1) thru November 1, 2020.

This includes the following:

- Weekly weeding, trimming, and deadheading of existing plantings
- Adding additional plantings as needed ~ can be annuals, bulbs, or perennials (not trees or shrubs)
- Flower beds and flower pots should be watered regularly, especially during periods of intense heat or during prolonged periods when regular precipitation does not occur (the City will assist with routine watering during regular working hours)
- Weekly trash, debris pick up/clean up

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PRINTED NAME _____

An acknowledgment sign will be provided with your name/group/business. Please provide the information for your sign in the space provided below. Please check spelling, print clearly, and be brief (i.e., Girl Scout Troop 122, The Jones Family, etc.):

*This form can be returned to the City of Xenia, ATTN: City Clerk, 107 E. Main Street, Xenia, OH 45385.
Visit www.exploreXenia.com to learn more about this program.*