## Volunteers throughout (MUNICIPALITY NAME) are joining the Adopt-a-Storm Drain Program to Protect our Waters

Are you interested in protecting (ADD NAME OF LOCAL WATERBODIES) and keeping your neighborhood clean? Adopt a nearby storm drain or two and join a team of volunteers across Dane County who have committed just 15 minutes a month to keep their drains free from leaves, grass, trash, snow and other debris.

What washes down our storm drains eventually ends up in our waterways. Taking time to keep storm drains clear, can prevent localized flooding and keep pollution out of our lakes, rivers and streams. ADD A SENTENCE ABOUT WHAT YOUR COMMUNITY IS DOING TO KEEP STREETS, STORM DRAINS AND OUR WATERS CLEAN.

It's easy to join our volunteer community! Here's how it works.

- 1. Take a walk around your neighborhood and find a nearby storm drain that could use some attention.
- Visit <a href="https://www.ripple-effects.com/Adopt-A-Storm-Drain">https://www.ripple-effects.com/Adopt-A-Storm-Drain</a> and follow instructions to create an account and adopt your drain. By joining, you are committing to safely cleaning the area on and around the adopted storm drain at least once a month, but preferably before every large rain event.
- 3. You will receive an email with instructions on how to pick up a free cleaning kit that includes: a safety vest, storm drain decal to place on their adopted storm drain, dust pan and broom, collection bucket and an Adopt-A-Storm Drain sticker to proudly display.
- 4. Report the amount and type of debris after each cleaning by logging into your account.

Volunteers will be included on our Storm Drain Scoop e-Newsletter, which comes out 3-4 times/year. Adopt a local storm drain and have a Ripple Effect on area waters!

To Adopt a Storm Drain near you or for more information visit: <a href="https://www.ripple-effects.com/Adopt-A-Storm-Drain">https://www.ripple-effects.com/Adopt-A-Storm-Drain</a>.