

# BLOOM with XENIA Adopt-A-Spot

Volunteer Day is Sat., May 6th! Meet in front of the Justice Center (former City Hall) at 9 a.m.! Mulch will be provided and debris removal will be available. Contact Nelson King at 266-0868 or [nubertx@yahoo.com](mailto:nubertx@yahoo.com) for more information!



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# “*BLOOM with XENIA*” Adopt-A-Spot

March 2017

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 on-going 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)
- Mulch will be provided for all flower beds on Volunteer Day, which is Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>
- Debris removal (trash from flower beds, removal of weeds, last year’s dead growth, etc.) will be done on Volunteer Day
- 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 the following support:

- Training on good gardening practices (learn the difference between a weed vs. a flower, how to stage plants and flowers, annuals vs. perennials, etc.)
- 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 266-0868 or [nubertx@yahoo.com](mailto:nubertx@yahoo.com) as soon as possible to claim your **Spot**! Or, stay tuned for more details on Volunteer Day where unclaimed flower beds and flower pots will be up for grabs! For general questions about the program, you can also contact Xenia City Councilwoman Jeanne Mills, who serves as Chair of BRACA, at 374-2818 or at [jmills@ci.xenia.oh.us](mailto:jmills@ci.xenia.oh.us).

We look forward to having you “*BLOOM with XENIA!*”



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## APPLICATION FOR ADOPTION OF FLOWER BED/FLOWER POT FOR XENIA CITY SCAPE

- 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 designated flower bed(s) or flower pot(s) thru November 2017.

This includes:

- Weekly weeding, trimming, 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 stating:

Adopted by ... (Please provide correct spelling, please print clearly, and please be brief!  
Ex. “The Jones Family” or “Girl Scout Troop 122”)

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