



# Saginaw County Agricultural Society

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## Adopt-a-Flowerbed Program

Businesses, Families, 4H Clubs, FFA Chapters- we need you!

Do you and your family, friends, or group want to have some fun planting flowers? We need a few volunteers for our "Adopt-a-Flowerbed Program." Help beautify the Saginaw County Fairgrounds, create community spirit, and install a sense of pride and accomplishment as flowers bloom, attracting, birds and butterflies.

### What is Adopt-a-Flowerbed?

Adopt-a-flowerbed is an effort to encourage community involvement in ongoing community beautification. Volunteers/Sponsors can plant, weed, and care for Fairground's flowerbeds and planters.

### Who Can Get Involved?

Any interested business, organization, individual and neighborhood groups can care for one of the entrance flowerbeds. You may adopt a favorite site, or the Beautification Committee can suggest a flowerbed needing to be adopted.

The following beds are available:

- ~~Pumpkin Bed in Parking lot (Dusty Dudes 4H Club)~~
- ~~Main Bed by Office (Dusty Dudes 4H Club)~~
- Gazebo
- Planters near Ticket Booth/Office
- Planters in Grandstand Area
- Goat Area
- Livestock Sale Arena Entrance
- Berms in front of Entrance

### What Are the Duties of an Adopt-a-Flowerbed Volunteer?

The expectation is that the volunteer will prepare the bed prior to planting, plant the flowers of their choice, mulch (provided by the Fair) in late March/Early April, keep the flowerbed free of weeds and grass, pinch back spent blooms, water the flowers, remove dead plants from the bed after the first hard frost and plant fall/winter flowers if desired.

### Who Will Provide Materials Needed?

The Saginaw Fair will provide mulch and guidelines for maintenance instructions.

### Recognition

Volunteers who have given part of their valuable time to keep our Fairgrounds beautiful will be recognized for all their efforts with an Adopt-a-Flowerbed sign with volunteer name will be placed at the flowerbed location to recognize the individual, business, or group.

For application, please see back side of this page or contact the Office.

Sincerely,  
The Saginaw County Fair Board

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*Saginaw County Fairgrounds*  
**Adopt-a-Flowerbed**  
*Program* 

If you are interested in adopting one of the Fairgrounds flowerbeds, please contact the Saginaw County Fair Beautification Chair, Mary Beth Strouse at [mbstrouse@gmail.com](mailto:mbstrouse@gmail.com) or the Office at 989-845-2143 to schedule an initial on-site meeting to go over maintenance needs and requirements.

This agreement is between \_\_\_\_\_ and the Saginaw County Fair.  
(Name of Volunteer/Sponsor/Organization)

For the flowerbed located at \_\_\_\_\_ Chesaning, MI.

Adoption Period \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ (minimum 1 growing season)

Volunteer/Sponsor/Organization will be responsible for: Preparing the bed prior to planting, planting the flowers, applying mulch, weeding the flowerbed, pinching back spent blooms, watering flowers and removing plants soon after first killing frost and making preparation for fall/winter planting.

The Saginaw County Fair Agrees to: Provide mulch and planting and maintenance instruction, recognition of those who adopt flower beds in a program brochure and with their name on a sign at the flower bed location.

It is the intent of this agreement to provide quality, attractive flower beds to enhance the beauty of our grounds. Fair volunteers will periodically check your adopted area throughout your adoption period, if at any time you need assistance or have problems maintaining the flowerbed, please call our office at (989) 845-2143 for support. Saginaw County Fair is a great community event because of you!

Again, thank you for your time and effort; we look forward to working with you to keep the Saginaw County Fairgrounds beautiful!

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Volunteer/Sponsor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone/Cell

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature, Fair Beautification Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Volunteer acknowledges that they are volunteers and are in no way considered to be employees of the Saginaw County Fair, volunteer will not hold Saginaw County Agricultural Society or its appointed representatives responsible in case of accident/injury or loss as a result of participation in the Adopt a Flowerbed Program.

**Please return to:**

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