

OKLAHOMA CLEAN COMMUNITY PROGRAM

Presented jointly by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Keep Oklahoma Beautiful (KOB), the Oklahoma Clean Community Program awards and recognizes entities (i.e., towns, cities, rural communities, tribes, counties, etc.) that participate, cooperate and/or collaborate in cleaning up tire dumps, implement preventative measures to stop illegal tire dumping in their communities, organize community collection events, and encourage environmental stewardship through service projects.

To be recognized as an Oklahoma Clean Community, fill out the application on the following pages. If you have questions, please feel free to e-mail us at okcleancommunity@deq.ok.gov.

AWARD LEVELS



Gold

**Scissortailed Flycatcher
Award**

Complete the following activities:

- One tire collection event and one Sustainable Materials Management event.
- Participate in the Great American Cleanup (GAC) and TWO additional KOB program items.

Earn 16 points or more in the Environmental Service Projects category.



Silver

**Bison
Award**

Complete the following activities:

- One tire collection event and one Sustainable Materials Management event.
- Participate in the Great American Cleanup (GAC) and ONE additional KOB program items.

Earn 11-15 points or more in the Environmental Service Projects category.



Bronze

**Oklahoma Redbud
Award**

Complete the following activities:

- One tire collection event and/or one Sustainable Materials Management event.
- Earn 4-10 points or more in the Environmental Service Projects category.



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Applicants will be selected based on involvement in collection events, Keep Oklahoma Beautiful (KOB) programs, and an Environmental Service Projects score for the calendar year.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY:

Calendar year are you applying for: _____

Name of Community/Organization: _____

Community/Organization Website and social media handles, if applicable:

Contact Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different)

PLEASE RETURN YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

okcleancommunity@deq.ok.gov

-or-

Oklahoma Clean Community
Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality Land Protection Division
P.O. Box 1677
Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1677

PART I:

Choose all that apply:

TIRE COLLECTION

- Held at least one community-wide tire collection event in the year.

SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

- Held at least one household hazardous waste collection event in the year.
- Held at least one other type of collection event in the year, e.g., clothing/or other items for re-use, community dump day, pharmaceutical/medical sharps take-back, etc.

KEEP OKLAHOMA BEAUTIFUL PROGRAMS

- Participated in the Great American Cleanup in Oklahoma.
- Is a KOB Affiliate member.
- Attended a KOB Workshop.
- Participated in Lend-A-Bin.
- Participated in Litter Education Programs (at any grade level).
- Participated in Environmental Excellence Awards.
- Participated in Paint Oklahoma Beautiful.

PROVIDE A BRIEF SUMMARY OF YOUR COMPLETED ACTIVITIES, INCLUDE DATES:

PART II:

Choose all that apply:

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE PROJECTS

1 point each

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nominated your organization for a KOB award. | <input type="checkbox"/> Planted native shrubs, trees, and wildflowers. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attended an environmental webinar. | <input type="checkbox"/> Educated the community about residential energy conservation and/or promote renewable energy. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted a street or highway section. | <input type="checkbox"/> Removed graffiti in the community. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Promoted sustainable lawn care. | <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in DEQ's School Chemical Disposal Program. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hosted a water efficiency or xeriscaping workshop. | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaned up schoolyards in the community. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Promoted rainwater collection. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Promoted and teach citizens about backyard composting. | |

2 points each

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Purchased sustainable products: buy products made from recycled materials, switch from plastic and Styrofoam to paper items, purchase used instead of new, switch to non-toxic cleaners. | <input type="checkbox"/> Supported school, work, or community wildlife habitat projects. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in the ODOT Trash-off. | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsored continuing environmental education programs for area teachers. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hosted an alternative transportation day (i.e., ride your bike to work day, car pool days, etc.). | <input type="checkbox"/> Hosted litter free events. |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Hosted an up-cycling event or workshop. |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Painted community buildings. |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaned up an illegal dump site. |

3 points each

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Established or support a local recycling program. | <input type="checkbox"/> Distributed low flow plumbing fixtures and leak detecting devices. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utilized crumb rubber recycled products. | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsored a public education campaign on non-point source pollution. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hosted a household hazardous waste collection event. | <input type="checkbox"/> Funded the distribution of LED lights. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hosted an electronics waste recycling event. | <input type="checkbox"/> Supported or create outdoor classrooms. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Promoted safe disposal of medical sharps. | <input type="checkbox"/> Created a Monarch butterfly waystation. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Established a medical sharps and/or pharmaceutical disposal sites. | <input type="checkbox"/> Worked to preserve natural habitats. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Implemented a community food recovery program. | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsored a lecture series or webinars on environmental issues. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Performed energy audits and include results. | <input type="checkbox"/> Established community composting program, community garden, or pollinator garden. |

Total all points: _____

PROVIDE A BRIEF SUMMARY OF YOUR COMPLETED ACTIVITIES:

PART III:

DESCRIBE ANY PROJECTS OR ACTIVITIES NOT LISTED, THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR POINTS:

HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THE OKLAHOMA CLEAN COMMUNITY PROGRAM:

ATTACH PHOTOS, COLLECTION LOGS, AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTATION THAT YOU'D LIKE US TO REVIEW.

HELPFUL LINKS:

Keep Oklahoma Beautiful:

<https://www.keepoklahomabeautiful.com/>

KOB Great American Cleanup:

<https://tinyurl.com/cvmt4crj>

Become a KOB Affiliate:

<https://tinyurl.com/24nnrycb>

Attend a KOB Workshop

<https://tinyurl.com/2cz937uh>

KOB Litter Education Programs

<https://tinyurl.com/4j28ycdn>

KOB Environmental Excellence Awards

<https://tinyurl.com/ex8fwbby>

KOB Paint Oklahoma Beautiful

<https://www.keepoklahomabeautiful.com>

KOB Lend-A-Bin

<https://www.keepoklahomabeautiful.com>

Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ): <https://www.deq.ok.gov/>

DEQ School Chemical Disposal Program:

<https://tinyurl.com/bdeta83>

DEQ Sustainable Materials Management Section: <https://tinyurl.com/yxu8xue5>

DEQ Used Tire Recycling Program:

<https://tinyurl.com/5d97vzt5>

Adopt-a-highway:

<https://oklahoma.gov/odot>

Promote sustainable lawn care:

<https://www.epa.gov/>

Support schools, work, or community wildlife habitat projects:

<https://okwildlifefoundation.org/>

Encourage flower and tree planting, particularly native and pollinator-friendly species:

<https://www.epa.gov/watersense/what-plant>

Participate in ODOT Trash-off:

<https://tinyurl.com/yzk9cmv9>

Support or create outdoor classrooms:

<https://tinyurl.com/mrxkwe6w>

Create a Monarch Waystation:

<https://www.monarchwatch.org/waystations/>



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