

## *How Do I Become a Participant in the Program?*

If you feel that you could benefit from our program, we ask that you simply fill out our application describing your specific need and/or hardship in maintaining your property. If you would like to volunteer for our program we ask that you fill out our volunteer release form. Both can be found on the City's website at the link below or the forms may be picked up at city hall located at 6800 Main St. In order to be eligible to receive assistance through the VAP you must meet the following criteria:

- Be a resident of The Colony.
- Occupy home as homestead
- Demonstrate a hardship such as age, finance, or disability
- Complete the VAP application for assistance explaining your existing hardship.
- Have no outstanding debt owed to the city.

\*Applicants are reviewed and assistance is awarded on a first come, first serve basis subject to availability.

VAP forms can be found at:

[http://thecolonytx.gov/Depts/Community\\_Image/VolunteerAssistanceProgram.html](http://thecolonytx.gov/Depts/Community_Image/VolunteerAssistanceProgram.html)

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.”

Margaret Mead

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## VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



City of The Colony Texas

## ***A Bit About Property Maintenance***

The City of The Colony takes great pride in the health, safety, welfare, and appearance of our community. Every individual property owner's maintenance contributes to the overall positive appearance of their property and our community.

Adoption of codes such as the Minimum Housing and Building Standards

Code as well as others relating to property maintenance ensures that

the City of The Colony and the Community Image Department (*the department responsible for implementing these codes*) is equipped with the necessary tools



to actively engage issues relating to property maintenance within the community. Some of the more common violations we find within the city relating to the code are the condition of a structure's exterior, tall weeds and grass, dilapidated fences, and trash and debris accumulating around the property.

### ***Following the Code***

Adhering to the Minimum Housing and Building codes is the responsibility of every individual property owner. However, we understand that this may not be possible for some because of extenuating circumstances. In light of this, the City of The Colony has established a new program to assist those in need.



## ***About the Program***

The City of the Colony Volunteer Assistance Program was established to match individual volunteers and volunteer organizations within the community with citizens of The Colony who are experiencing hardships relating to disability, age or finances and are unable to maintain their property to city code.

The program seeks to help citizens with the most common violations relating to property maintenance such as those listed previously. If you feel you could benefit from our program, please feel free to submit an application or contact us if you have additional questions.

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