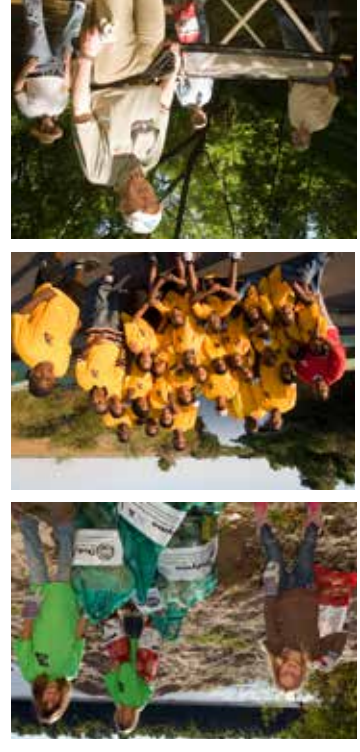


**Community, church, or service groups:** What better way to serve your community than by adopting, cleaning up, and maintaining the health and beauty of a neighborhood waterway?

**Schools and youth groups:** Stream Team is a great way for schools, colleges, and universities to teach students about stream ecology while restoring and protecting a local stream.

**Individuals and families:** If there's a stream in your community that you and your neighbors are concerned about, you can form a Stream Team to adopt it.



## ANYONE CAN START A STREAM TEAM

All Missourians rely on streams in one way or another and many of our streams could use a little help. They need teams of people who love clean water, good fishing, and healthy habitat to take care of them, year after year. That's why the Missouri Department of Conservation, the Department of Natural Resources, and the Conservation Federation of Missouri joined to develop the Stream Team Program in 1989. Promoting citizen awareness and involvement, Stream Team is a fun, hands-on program for people who want to learn about, care for, and protect local waterways. If you're ready to start a Stream Team and tackle the fun of protecting Missouri's streams, just fill out and return the form on the next page. Soon you'll receive information and opportunities for technical assistance that will help your team adopt a stream, assess its condition, and make a game plan for taking care of it.

## MISSOURI'S STREAMS NEED YOUR HELP



# Start a Missouri STREAM TEAM

and tackle the fun of protecting Missouri's waterways!

Education  
Stewardship  
Advocacy  
for Missouri's streams



## GETTING STARTED IS AS EASY AS COMPLETING YOUR REGISTRATION FORM OR SIGN UP ONLINE AT MOSTREAMTEAM.ORG.

**Education** Learning all you can about Missouri's more than 110,000 miles of flowing water is as easy as it is fun. Stream Team provides training and information to help you better understand our stream systems and the problems and opportunities they face.

**Stewardship** Hands-on projects such as litter cleanups, streamside tree planting, water quality monitoring, and storm-drain stenciling are all strategies in restoring and sustaining stream health. Stream Team can help you plan a project or match you with an ongoing agency project.

**Advocacy** Speaking on behalf of your adopted stream is not as difficult as you might think. Once you gain firsthand knowledge of problems, solutions, and needs, you will be able to speak out on behalf of Missouri's stream resources. You may want to write a letter, attend a meeting, or find another way to advocate for your stream's health.

## WE PROVIDE TRAINING AND SUPPORT



You can still form a new Stream Team of your own. We can help you coordinate with others in your region.

## WHAT IF THERE'S ALREADY A STREAM TEAM IN MY COMMUNITY?

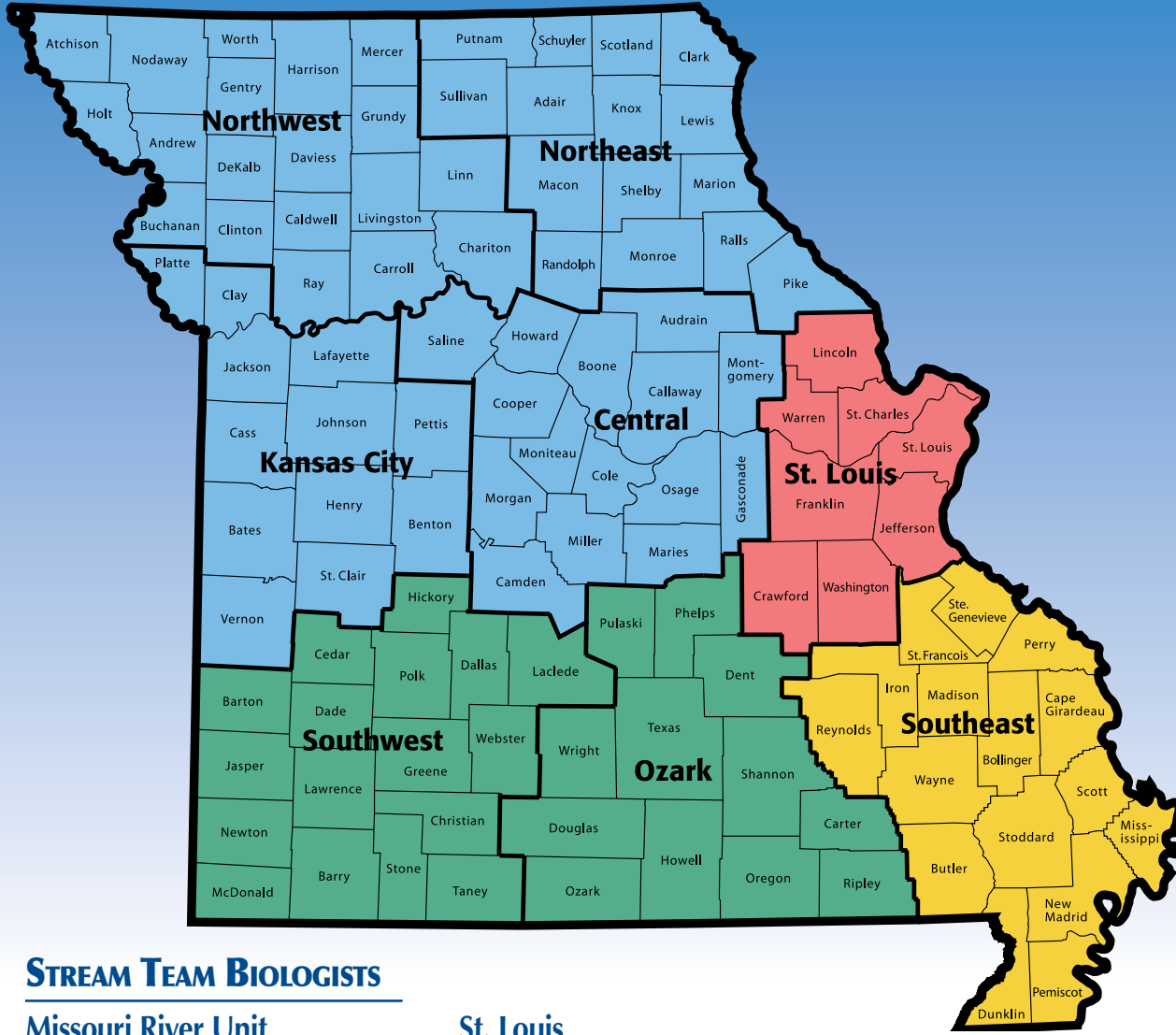
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Don't hesitate to contact the Stream Team biologist for your area if you have questions. See the list below and give us a call!



## WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

800-781-1989 (voicemail) or  
573-751-4115, ext. 3591

### You can also write to us at:

Stream Team  
PO Box 180  
Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180

### Or email us at:

streamteam@mdc.mo.gov

### Or visit our website at:

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## REGISTRATION FORM

Starting a new Stream Team?  Yes  No

### Please tell us about yourself and your Stream Team.

I am a ...  Educator/teacher  Streamside landowner  
 Individual  Other

Our group is a ...  Family  School/youth group  
 Community, church, or service group  Other

Most of us are ...  Youths  Adults

What's your Stream Team's name? \_\_\_\_\_

Example: "Cole County Crew"

Contact person name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP code \_\_\_\_\_

County of residence \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mail preference  Paper Mail  Email  Both

May we share your info with other Stream Teams?  Yes  No

### What's the name of the stream or river you want to adopt? (optional)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ County of adopted stream \_\_\_\_\_

Exact location of adopted stream reach, from upstream to downstream, if known. Example:  
"From Hwy. T bridge to Smith's Access" or "From Hwy. T bridge to 3 miles downstream."

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### Who else is on your Stream Team? (Attach extra sheet if necessary. Include members wanting to receive mailings. Teachers and scout leaders, it is not necessary to include your students' or scouts' names.)

Name	Address	City/State/ZIP	Phone

### What activities are you interested in doing?

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Litter pickup on streams     | <input type="checkbox"/> Water quality monitoring |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Storm drain stenciling       | <input type="checkbox"/> Stream management on     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Working with other groups    | <input type="checkbox"/> rural land               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> urban land               |

### Take the Stream Team pledge

As a Stream Team member, I promise to do the following:

- ◆ Remember that I live in a watershed and anything I do in that watershed can affect a stream positively or negatively.
- ◆ Learn all I can about Missouri streams.
- ◆ Engage in activities that promote and preserve the health of Missouri streams.
- ◆ Conduct myself in a professional manner so that my actions do not reflect negatively on my Stream Team, other Stream Teams, or the Stream Team program.
- ◆ Consider others' points of view regarding water resource issues; recognize that our state's waters serve many purposes, some of which may appear to conflict; and advocate for the health and values of Missouri streams based on good science and accurate data.
- ◆ Respect the property rights of private landowners and always ask permission before entering private land.
- ◆ Report my Stream Team activities so that my efforts can be included with all other Stream Team activities to show that we are making a difference locally and globally.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Missouri Stream Team sponsors, officers, agents, and assignees from any and all liability for claims, demands, and actions from any and all volunteer activities in which I or my Stream Team group may participate.*