



Orphan Roads Program Application

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About the Program

An orphan road is a roadway that no legal entity is responsible for maintenance and the burden falls on individual homeowners. Under certain circumstances, Harris County will accept responsibility for, improve, and maintain orphan roads in unincorporated Harris County.

If you live on or own property on an orphan road and would like the Office of Commissioner Rodney Ellis to consider adopting that orphan road, please complete this application and submit it to **PlanTogether@cp1.hctx.net** or submit an online application. Please note, completing this form is not a commitment that Harris County will adopt the road, but will begin the assessment process.

Evaluation Timeline



FY 2026 application period end May 31, 2026.

Application Information (Astrix * indicates required field)

① Applicant's Information:

Name * _____

Telephone Number * _____

Address * _____

Email Address * _____

② Identify the orphan road (or roads) proposed for County adoption *:

Location Requested Street	From	To

What is your relationship to this road?

☐ Live on road ☐ Own property on road

If needed:

Location Requested Street	From	To

What is your relationship to this road?

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③ Do you have any additional or background information? If so, please tell us here:

Please reach out to **PlanTogether@cp1.hctx.net** with any questions.
Our team is available to support you and your community through all steps of this program.



Orphan Roads Program Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)



Q: When will I know if my applicant street is selected for a future project?

A: We anticipate announcing projects in August 2026.

Q: How do you I know if my road is an Orphan Road?

A: The online map located on the Plan Together website (www.PlanTogether.hcp1.net) includes all currently identified Orphan Roads.

This map may not include all Orphan Roads. If you believe a street is an Orphan Road that is not identified on the map, please email us at PlanTogether@cp1.hctx.net.

Q: If my applicant street is selected as a future project, what will the project entail?

A: Project scope will vary based on the existing conditions of the roadway and the required improvements needed to meet current Harris County roadway standards. Projects will vary from small improvements to a full roadway rebuild.

Q: Can I submit an application after May 31, 2026?

A: Yes, however your application will be part of the FY 2027 review cycle and project announcements will not occur for FY 2027 projects until summer/fall 2027.

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