

Other Useful Numbers

Better Business Bureau	800-748-3223
Child Protection Hotline	970-242-1211
Colorado National Monument	970-858-3617
Colorado River State Park	970-858-9188
Colorado State Patrol	970-858-2250
Colorado Welcome Center	970-858-9335
Crime Stoppers	970-241-7867
District Attorney's Office	970-244-1730
Fire Department (Lower Valley)	970-858-3133
Fire Department (Grand Junction)	970-244-1400
Fruita City Clerk/ Utility Building	970-858-3663
Fruita Code Enforcement	970-858-0786
Fruita Municipal Court	970-858-8041
Fruita Parks & Recreation	970-858-0360
Fruita Police Department	970-858-3008
Grand Jct. City Clerk	970-244-1501
Grand Jct. Municipal Court	970-244-1537
Grand Jct. Parking Meters and Tickets	970-244-1537
Grand Jct. Parks & Recreation	970-254-3866
Grand Jct. Public Works & Planning	970-244-1430
Grand River Mosquito Control	970-257-0191
Grand Valley Transit	970-256-7433
Housing Authority	970-245-0388
Housing Resources of Western CO.	970-241-2871
Mesa Co. Animal Services	970-242-4646
Mesa Co. Building Dept	970-244-1631
Mesa Co. Code Enforcement	970-255-5034
Mesa Co. Dept of Human Services	970-244-8400
Mesa Co. Environmental Health	970-248-6960
Mesa Co. General Information	970-244-1800
Mesa Co. Health Dept.	970-248-6905
Mesa Co. Info Line	211 (from land line)
Mesa Co. Sheriff's Office	970-244-3500
Police & Fire Non-Emergency	970-242-6707
Public Defender	970-245-9122



Mesa County Sheriff's Office
 Alternative Sentencing Unit
 559 Pitkin Ave.
 Grand Junction, CO 81501
 970-244-3953
 Fax: 970-623-8054
www.sheriff.mesacounty.us



Grand Junction Police
 Department
 555 Ute Ave.
 Grand Junction, CO 81501
 970-549-5000
 Fax: 970-549-5002
www.gjcity.org



City of Fruita
 Community Development
 325 E. Aspen Ave.
 Fruita, CO 81521
 970-858-0786
 Fax: 970-858-0210
www.fruita.org



Got Graffiti?
TAG
NOT FOR LONG!
 Taking Away Graffiti

243-WASH
(243-9274)



GRAFFITI PROGRAM

The Grand Junction Police Department, Mesa County Sheriff's Office Alternative Sentencing Unit, and the City of Fruita have a **FREE** graffiti removal and abatement program. If you own, manage, or lease property either in the Grand Junction or Fruita city limits or within Mesa County, you qualify to have graffiti removed for free.

The Alternative Sentencing Program is for non-violent offenders. This program allows the use of inmate labor to help clean up our community, including graffiti removal.

The graffiti program can be used to clean up both new and old graffiti. We encourage property owners to remove recent graffiti quickly as these actions are proven to discourage repeat vandalism.

Even the smallest intentional mark on a wall sends an open invitation for crime and vandalism.

Graffiti vandalism is a power struggle between the vandal and the community. The only strategy that can be an effective deterrent is rapid removal. For this reason, we encourage the public to call.



243-WASH

REPORTING

- Call 243-WASH (243-9274) or
- Call 911 if vandalism is in progress.
- If you live in City Limits but plan to remove the graffiti yourself, please call to report the graffiti so a case can be filed.

REMOVAL (PAINT AND MATERIALS)

- We will provide you with a waiver to sign giving permission for the removal.
- Remember that old graffiti is eligible for removal.
- Arrangements for abatement and the cost of removal will be covered by this program.
- This program relies partially on donations and grants. Owners can provide matching paint and still use inmate labor.
- Graffiti will be abated using a closely matching paint color or removed using power washer equipment or other tools.
- **This program does not include restoration to the property.**

STRATEGIES

FOR KEEPING PROPERTY GRAFFITI FREE

- Check your local paint or hardware stores for special products that can be applied to surfaces, making them graffiti resistant.
- Install good lighting on walls and fences that may be vulnerable to graffiti.
- Plant shrubs or climbing vines to restrict access to graffiti prone areas.
- Plants with thorns or foul scents are especially useful deterrents.
- Finally, encourage your neighbors to watch for and report graffiti vandals to local law enforcement.



A clean neighborhood is a safer neighborhood; it says
“We’re proud of where we live!”



**MESA COUNTY AND CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION
JOINT GRAFFITI REMOVAL PROGRAM
AUTHORIZATION FORM**

I, _____, the undersigned owner or lawfully authorized agent thereof, acknowledge that participating in the Graffiti Removal Program involves work using paint cans, ladders, scaffolding, drop cloths and other equipment and having persons (including Mid-week & Work-Enders inmates) and things on the property as described below, that are not under my control. Based upon this knowledge, I am electing to be a participant in the graffiti removal project and authorize and grant permission for the Mesa County Sheriff (hereinafter "MCSO"), City of Grand Junction (hereinafter "City") and/or its designees (hereafter "Graffiti Removal Agencies") to come onto the property to paint over and/or otherwise remove graffiti. I give the Graffiti Removal Agencies permission to use paint that is close in color and coverage quality on the property or structure(s), which I understand and agree may not be a perfect match. I understand that abatement of graffiti by painting over and/or removal of graffiti by power-wash, sandblasting or similar methods does not include restoration to a pre-vandalized condition. By signature below, I waive and release any claim that I may have for damage, injury to person, animals, or property and/or loss of value as a result of removal or the failure to remove graffiti.

In return for the graffiti removal effort I agree to release, hold harmless, and indemnify the MCSO, City, Graffiti Removal Agencies and the State of Colorado, its insurers and insured's, its authorized officers, officials, agents, employees and volunteers for any and all claims for personal injury or property damage resulting from the unintentional or negligent acts or omissions of any person including any third party, including the Graffiti Removal Agency deployed by the MCSO or City, arising out of, or under, or from my participation in the graffiti removal project sponsored by the MCSO and City. The MCSO and City are not released from any injuries or claims of injury or damage that arise from the intentional, willful or wanton acts of the MCSO, City or their employees or agents. The MCSO and City do not waive any protections that may be afforded by the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, 24-10-101 et. seq. C.R.S. Any release and hold harmless provisions of this document shall survive completion of any and all work performed.

The Graffiti Removal Agencies are authorized to enter onto my property to paint over or remove graffiti at any time without notice to me. This authorization shall expire **five years** from the date it is signed by me.

I declare that it is my intention by this document to completely and fully waive any claims I may have or which could be made against the Graffiti Removal Agencies regardless of any tolling or non-suit provisions.

I have carefully read this document and know its contents, and I have signed it freely and voluntarily. The terms of this document are not simply a recital of facts, but contractual promises made by me in my capacity as record title owner(s), or agent thereof, of the real property set forth below and made as consideration for MCSO's performance of its Purpose for Entry. I warrant that no promise or inducement has been offered except as set forth herein and that I am legally competent, authorized and/or appointed to execute this document and accept full responsibility.

I understand and acknowledge that the MCSO and City will not provide insurance for the protection of real or personal property or chattels which may be found on my above-referenced property.

I, such owner or agent thereof, have executed this release agreement on the date set forth below. If signing as an authorized agent, I represent and acknowledge that I am doing so with full and lawful authority for the entity that I purport to represent.

CAUTION: READ THIS AGREEMENT BEFORE SIGNING BELOW. THIS IS A BINDING LEGAL DOCUMENT WHICH CREATES/INVOLVES LEGAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS.

PROPERTY OWNER(S) SIGNATURE

DATE

PHONE NUMBER

AUTHORIZED AGENT SIGNATURE

DATE

BUSINESS NAME (if applicable) AND PROPERTY ADDRESS NEEDING GRAFFITI REMOVAL