

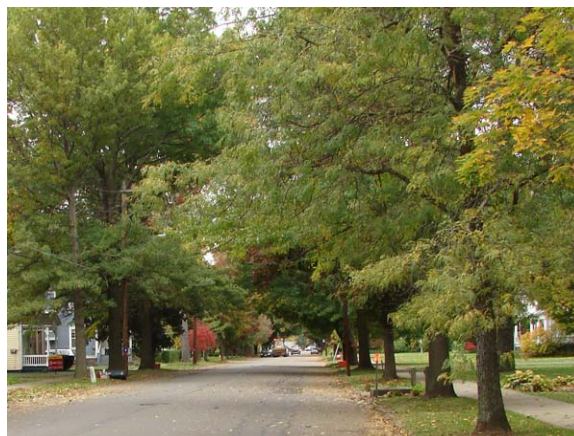


SWAT: Student Weekend Arborist Team Community Forestry Master Planning for Smaller Communities



What we offer: We work with you to establish a management planning process difficult for smaller communities with limited urban forestry budgets. This includes:

- A complete inventory of all community trees in the public right-of-way within your municipal boundaries
- The species distribution, condition, and maintenance needs of these trees
- The location of existing planting spaces available for future plantings
- A list of tree species suitable for future plantings specific to your community
- A quantitative analysis of the ecosystem benefits provided by community trees
- An electronic spreadsheet of inventory data so you can keep it up to date
- A resource for future questions



SWAT Teams: Trained groups of students from Cornell University and Master Gardeners from Cooperative Extension who inventory community trees for a fee plus expenses.

- Time: 1 or 2 weekend days
- Cost: Less than \$3500
- Benefits: Useful for communities with less than 3000 street and park trees

Cost Breakdown:

- Student labor: \$100 per student per day
- Expenses: Lunch for team
Transportation (approx. \$100/day)

One day inventory approx. \$1200-\$1750

Two day inventory approx. \$2400-\$3500

Application on Reverse Side



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Application

Name of community: _____

Project contact person – Public official to act as liaison between municipality and
Community Forestry Outreach Team

Name: _____ Phone #: _____ E-mail: _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Municipal employee – Staff person designated to maintain database

Name: _____ Phone #: _____ E-mail: _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Estimated number of street trees – _____

To estimate street trees: 1. Count the number of blocks, or miles within municipal boundaries;
2. Calculate 10% of total; 3. Drive (randomly) along calculated number of blocks or miles counting
trees; 4. Multiply count by 10

Current community forestry efforts – Check all that currently apply to your community

- Community tree board Street tree inventory ‘Tree City’ designation
Street tree ordinance Community tree management plan

Send application to:

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