

Commonly Asked Questions

What type of trees do you plant?

We plant **shade** trees, native and non-native that are both adapted to this climate and the urban environments. We are also limited based on the grant/city tree list as well as the current nursery stocks. Our team does their best to plant the appropriate trees for their locations, taking space, above and below ground utilities into consideration.

How do you know where to plant?

We typically only plant in city owned parkways, right of ways, that are approved by the city. We focus on areas that lack tree canopy, sometimes the city will provide exact locations. Then our team starts the process by assessing if they are appropriate locations to plant in.

Will I have to take care of the tree?

Our org cares for the tree for the first 2-3 years to get them established before passing them onto the city.



Commonly Asked Questions (cont.)

Are the roots going to uplift my sidewalk?

We choose tree species based on the parkway size. Small trees in small areas to prevent root damage and large trees when there is appropriate space.

Will it create a lot of trash/litter?

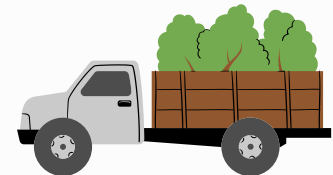
This is dependent on what type of tree you get and if it produces any kind of flower. Deciduous trees drop their leaves all at once, typically once a year, but evergreen trees keep their leaves all year round and may drop some leaves periodically. *[Reminder that leaves aren't trash and leaving them improves the quality of the soil, promotes healthier lawns, reduces water use, & helps our local wildlife.]*



TreePeople

ATTENTION!

You are receiving **TREES** on city parkways!



Expected date: _____

No. of trees: _____

(locations marked with white paint)



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Benefits of Trees

Why having trees on your parkway matters

- They provide natural **shade** canopy for you and the community!
- **Reduce energy costs** by up to \$10/month, shading buildings/homes
- **Increases property value!**
- **Lowers urban air temperature** during extreme heat by up to 40°
- **Improves air quality** by trapping pollutants in their leaves
- Provides habitat and food for wildlife, increasing **biodiversity**
- **Improves mental health**—trees have been proven to reduce stress and anxiety
- **Trees absorb high quantities of Co2** per year, especially in cities with high levels of pollution
- Trees help improve the quality of the **soil** and help with **water absorption**
- Trees are a cost-effective solution to **climate change!**



Our Process

Factors that determine what tree & where

1. **Parkway size** to accommodate appropriately sized trees
2. **Overhead Utilities** (powerlines): short trees under powerlines, tall trees when none are present
3. **Underground utilities** (water, gas, communications, electric): we plant trees a safe distance from all utilities
4. **Existing Trees:** we must maintain 20ft - 30ft from mature trees to leave space for new growth!

With our current knowledge of how to safely plant in urban environments, we try our best to avoid most problems previously caused by the wrong tree in the wrong place.

Contact Information

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