



**To be eligible, your group must:**

- For street trees—secure request forms for a minimum of 10 trees, signed by property owners. (There must be one signed form for each property owner requesting a tree.)
- For parks and riverfront trees—show evidence of municipal authorization to plant trees at the specified location
- Undergo a site visit and assessment in advance of application submittal
- Be prepared to help organize volunteers for the tree planting
- Agree to provide watering and basic care for the first three years of establishment
- Have a minimum of one trained Tree Tender for every 10 trees to be planted. Tree Tender training includes information on tree planting and basic tree care

**If your application is approved, your group will receive:**

- Between 10 and 100 trees to plant at your location, based on your group's request, capacity, and level of experience. The number, species, and type of stock (balled & burlap, container, or bare root) of trees awarded will be determined by TreeVitalize Pittsburgh
- Assistance with coordination of cutting and removal of pavement, as needed
- Tree stakes, ties, mulch, and “gator bags” or watering buckets, as needed

**If your application is approved, you agree to:**

- Work with a TreeVitalize representative who will assess your needs and skill level and help assure a successful project
- Keep your community informed about all phases of the project
- Keep records on tree requests
- Recruit and organize volunteers
- Provide breakfast and lunch for volunteers (WPC recommends seeking out donations from local businesses)
- Be responsible for watering and maintenance, especially during the critical first three years of establishment
- Monitor the health of the trees during these first three years and report signs of vandalism, stress, disease, or death to TreeVitalize [TreeVitalize does not guarantee replacement of diseased or dead trees. However, the program will be monitoring tree survival.]

**If your application is not approved this round, your group will:**

- Be invited to submit an application for the next planting season
- Receive support from TreeVitalize staff for future application submittal