



2021 EDWARDSVILLE TREE PLANTING PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OWNERS

The Edwardsville Beautification and Tree Commission is pleased to announce the opportunity for residents to participate in the “Edwardsville Tree Planting Program.” This program enables residents to be reimbursed one-half the cost (up to \$100.00) of purchasing and planting one approved tree each year at their primary place of residence within the Edwardsville City Limits. For residents to be eligible for program participation and reimbursement, all applications must be received by the Department of Public Works and approved by the city PRIOR TO FINAL TREE SELECTION AND PLANTING.

PROGRAM GUIDELINES

- Step 1. Submit the application below to the Edwardsville Public Works Department, City Tree Planting Program, 200 East Park Street, Edwardsville, IL 62025 or complete the online form at cityofedwardsville.com/432/Tree-Planting-Program starting September 1st. Applications must be received no later than Friday, November 26th. Only those trees on the LIST OF APPROVED TREES will be considered for approval.
- Step 2. After receiving approval from the Public Works Department, the property Owner shall purchase the tree and arrange for planting. All Owners are required to Contact J.U.L.I.E. (Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators) at 1-800-892-0123 and request location and marking of any potentially conflicting underground utilities. This MUST be done prior to any digging. Planting must be completed by December 4th.
- Step 3. Apply for reimbursement. Submit a receipt for purchase of the tree no later than December 10th to the Edwardsville Public Works Department address given above. Receipts for purchase of the tree must be dated between September 1st and December 4th. Applications for reimbursement will be reviewed and the applicant will be contacted by email once approved. Reimbursement will only be authorized for the planting of the approved tree type listed on the original application AND after inspection and approval of proper tree planting. This program is on a first-come, first-served basis as funding priorities allow so don't delay!

Any questions should be directed to the Public Works Department at 618-692-7535. Even if you have purchased a tree in previous years and have been reimbursed, you are still eligible to participate again this year.

LIST OF APPROVED TREES

Any tree from *Under the Canopy, Creating Personal Greenspace, A Guide to Selecting, Planting, and Caring for Trees in Illinois*. This includes: Fox Valley river birch, blackhaw viburnum. The Rising Sun redbud, sweetbay magnolia, white fringe tree, pawpaw, Allegheny serviceberry, American smoke tree, American hornbeam, paperbark maple, Frontier elm, American hophornbeam, Carolina silverbell, ‘Early Glow’ buckeye, purple catalpa, katsura tree, limber pine, concolor fir, Serbian spruce, chinkapin oak, Triumph elm, Exclamation London plane tree, Japanese zelkova, Kentucky coffee tree (male), bald cypress, American basswood, Ginkgo (male), Sugar hackberry, swamp white oak, bur oak.

Some additional trees: arborvitae, beeches, black gum, Chinese tree lilac, disease resistant elms, European hornbeam, larches, lindens, magnolias, maples including Japanese maples, red maples, sugar maples, oaks, pines, pond cypress, redbuds, red cedar, Raven dawn redwood, sassafras, sourwood, spruces, American sycamore, tulips.

APPLICATION – 2021 CITY OF EDWARDSVILLE TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

Residential Property Owner's Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Property Address: _____, **Edwardsville, IL 62025; Phone:** _____

Proposed Location for Tree: _____

Proposed Type of Tree: _____

Email Address: _____

For City Use Only

Approval granted by _____ **on** _____