Bloomington Tree Fund

Landscaping services and street tree maintenance are provided by the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department's Urban Forestry Program. Trees and other landscaping amenities throughout the city's parks and public property are made possible with contributions raised through the Bloomington Tree Fund.

The Bloomington Tree Fund was established to assist in the support of the Urban Forestry Program. The Tree Fund supports annual Arbor Day celebrations, volunteer tree plantings on public property, and urban forestry education.

Any amount may be contributed at any time to the Bloomington Tree Fund. All Bloomington Tree Fund gifts are tax deductible as prescribed by law.

Indiana's First Tree City

Bloomington was recognized by the National Arbor Day Foundation in 1984 as Indiana's first Tree City USA. Bloomington has each year since 1984 successfully met all the criteria necessary to keep its Tree City USA designation: a tree board or department; a tree care ordinance; a community forestry program with an annual budget of at least $2 per capita; and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

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Memorial/Honorary Tree Program

Remember a loved one or honor someone with a donation to the Bloomington Tree Fund, or with the purchase of a tree to be planted in one of Bloomington's city parks. The Memorial/Honorary Tree package includes one tree, a 16" × 16" engraved limestone plaque, and maintenance of the tree after it is planted.

The Parks and Recreation Department provides maintenance for the lifetime of the tree, and will replace trees if they die within 15 years after planting, or are damaged. Plaques are warranted for five years against theft or damages. In the event of future park development, your tree may be relocated or replanted. Bloomington Parks and Recreation reserves the right to relocate trees within a park or to another city park.

Due to limitations of seasonal weather fluctuations and impromptu planting schedules, it is not possible to schedule ceremonies at the time of tree planting or plaque setting.

Exact planting locations within parks are determined by the city's urban forester to ensure the tree is in the proper location to grow and thrive. Donors may choose potential tree planting sites from aerial photos provided by the urban forester. Potential locations for Memorial/Honorary tree plantings are: The Waldron, Hill and Buskirk Park (Third Street Park), RCA Community Park, and Olcott Park.

Installation of personal plaques, markers, etc. at the planting sites of honorary/memorial trees is not permitted. Small, tasteful, unobtrusive decorations are permitted as long as they do not become unsightly, unkempt, or present an obstacle to grounds maintenance. The City of Bloomington and its staff are not responsible for maintaining decorations, or for decorations that are vandalized, damaged, removed, or stolen.

Memorial/Honorary Tree orders received between October 1 and April 30 will be planted in the spring pending weather conditions. Orders received between May 1 and September 30 will be planted in the fall pending weather conditions.

Contact Information

For more information about the Bloomington Tree Fund, or about purchasing a Memorial/Honorary Tree, contact

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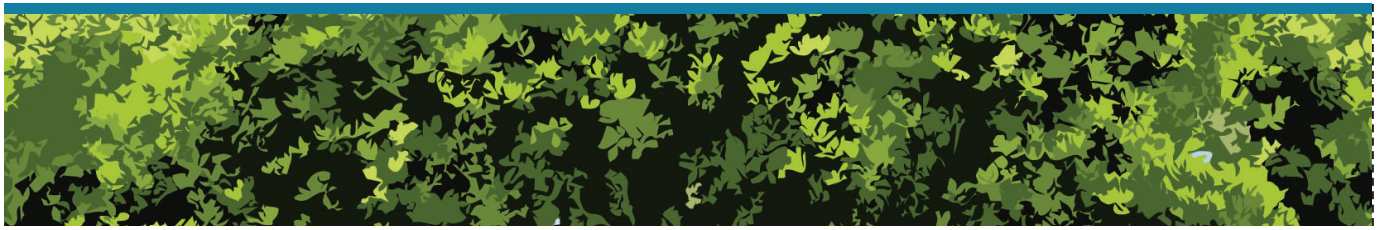

Donation Form

Tree Donor

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ ZIP _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____

☐ Tree and Plaque: $1,600

Includes one tree, engraved 16" x 16" limestone plaque, and maintenance of tree after planting

☐ Tree: $500

Includes one tree and maintenance of tree after planting

☐ Tree Fund Donation

Amount $_____

Memorial/Honorary Tree Preferences

Indicate first two choices for each.

Tree location
1. _____
2. _____

Tree species
1. _____
2. _____

Plaque Personalization

Limit 3 lines, 25 characters per line.

Personal Message

Honoree Name

Donor Name