



To be eligible, your group must:

- For street trees—secure a minimum of 10 tree request forms, signed by property owners. (There must be one signed form for each tree your group requests.)
- 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 organize volunteers or hire contractors to conduct the tree planting
- Agree to provide watering and basic care for the first two years of establishment
- Have a minimum of one trained Tree Tender (or equivalently trained individual) 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
- Priority enrollment for free Tree Tenders training, offered at various locations

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 or contracted services
- Receive trees and materials, such as soil and mulch, for planting
- Be responsible for watering and maintenance, especially during the critical first two years of establishment
- Monitor the health of the trees during these first two 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:

- Have the opportunity for priority enrollment during the next Tree Tenders training in your area
- Be invited to submit an application for the next planting season