

Missouri Department of Conservation

The Missouri Department of Conservation offers several funding mechanisms to assist communities and schools in tree planting efforts. In addition to the following programs, the Department also provides technical assistance and planning services. For more information on these programs and other services offered by the Department, contact the Missouri Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180, (573) 751-4115, or visit the Missouri Department of Conservation on the web at: <http://mdc.mo.gov/>

Tree Resource Improvement and Maintenance (T.R.I.M.)

T.R.I.M. is a competitive, cost-sharing program administered by the Missouri Department of Conservation in cooperation with the Missouri Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council. The purpose of T.R.I.M. is to provide financial assistance to units of government and schools for the management, improvement or conservation of the urban and community forest. For more information, contact MDC your local MDC District Forester or the MDC Forestry Division Program Supervisor at (573) 751-4115.

Missouri Department of Highway and Transportation

The Transportation Enhancement Program

The Transportation Enhancement Program provides funding for landscaping and scenic beautification projects. Projects must be consistent with the community's overall landscape policies and plans.

For more information on these funds, contact the Missouri Department of Highway and Transportation, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0270, (573) 526-4800 or 1-888-ASK-MODOT. Additional information is available online at www.modot.org

National Arbor Day Foundation

Tree City USA

Preference is sometimes given to Tree City USA communities over other communities when allocations of grant money are made for trees or forestry programs. To receive information on how to become a Tree City USA designated community, contact Tree City USA at (402) 474-5655 or email your request to: treecity@arborday.org

Forest ReLeaf of Missouri

Forest ReLeaf is a not-for-profit initiative working with public forestry systems to reverse the decline of community forests. ReLeaf's constituent groups are cities, schools, churches, neighborhood, community and civic organizations and individuals conducting public tree planting projects.

ReLeaf offers educational and funding programs for community tree planting projects and in conjunction with other state and federal agencies. For more information on the programs and outreach services of Forest ReLeaf, call (314) 533-LEAF or visit them on the web at: www.moreleaf.org.

Safe Planting Tips

Be Safe. Look Up!

Contact your electric cooperative to best determine where to safely plant your trees. Be sure to have underground utilities located and marked before you dig by contacting the Missouri One Call System at 1(800) DIG-RITE.



Green Tree Partnership



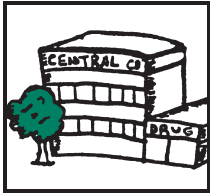
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Branching Out to Communities

It is amazing what trees do for a community. They can turn a piece of land into a park or an outdoor classroom. They can make a beautiful first impression when a visitor drives into town. A few well-placed trees can add shade and beauty to schools, courthouses, and other public areas.

Central Electric's Green Tree Partnership is designed to assist communities in the planting of trees. We recognize the impact that trees have upon the quality of life. That is why we are providing a qualified community up to \$500 for the purchase and planting of trees. Possible projects include trees planted along roads, in parks, courthouse yards, school grounds and historic sites.

We will also cooperate with other state agencies which provide funding for trees. If your community has applied for and received funds from other tree planting programs, Green Tree Partnership can provide up to half of the local matching funds, not to exceed \$500. These programs include but are not limited to those described on the back of this brochure.

Guidelines:

Who can apply:

- Local units of government
- Community and economic development departments
- Park departments
- Public schools
- Not-for-profit organizations such as historic, downtown and neighborhood associations

Projects which show a significant impact on the community will be given a higher priority.

A tree planting plan must be submitted with your application. This plan can be the same one submitted to other tree planting programs. Be sure that planted trees are clear of utility lines. Include a map or drawing showing planting locations, what type of tree is to be planted and location of utility lines. Payment will be made upon approval of the planting project by an authorized person as designated by Central Electric.



Central Electric and our member cooperatives are proud to be partners in beautifying communities through the planting of trees. Fill out the application form and submit it along with your tree planting plan. Applications are received and qualifying projects are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis while funding is available. Approved projects must be completed by December 31 of the calendar year in which the grant is awarded.

Green Tree Partnership Application

Community: _____

Name of Organization Applying: _____

Project Coordinator: _____

Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Short description of tree planting project: _____

Location of project: _____

Number of trees to be planted for this project: _____

Cost Summary:	Local Participation:	\$	_____
	Other Grant Funding:	\$	_____
	Central Electric's Grant Share:	\$	_____
	Total Cost of Proposed Project	\$	_____

***Last date to accept applications is September 1.
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