



CITIZEN TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

To encourage the planting of quality street trees throughout Kettering, the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department will make available a limited number of trees to Kettering residents. These trees are offered on a first-come, first-served, shared-cost basis. The trees are available to Kettering residents, businesses, churches and others but will be limited to one tree per person and/or address per year. The trees are planted by the Parks Division with all further maintenance being the responsibility of the owner. Tree varieties offered may change seasonally.

Registration

Interested Kettering residents or property owners can sign up for a tree in person at the Parks Maintenance Center, 3170 Valleywood Drive from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Payment will be made at the time of registration.

Cost and Type of Trees

These trees have been chosen for their high quality, growing habits and appearance throughout the year. They are balled and burlapped.

Prairifire Crabapple
Price: \$260

This red leafed crabapple has excellent disease resistance and long lasting blooms. The flowers are pinkish red with dark red fruit. Fall color is yellow. This tree grows to 20 feet high and 20 feet wide.

Honeylocust 'Skyline'
Price: \$265

A fast-growing tree with fragrant flowers. Its delicate, open silhouette lets grass grow underneath. Tiny leaflets turn yellow or yellow-green in fall. Pollution, salt and drought tolerant. Adapts to a wide range of soils. Prefers full sun. Grows up to 30-70 feet, with a 50 foot spread.

Bur Oak
Price: \$260

The Bur Oak is the most picturesque of the Oaks of the Midwest, especially in winter. It's fiddle-shaped leathery leaves, huge fringed acorns, thick and sometimes corky twigs, and deeply ridged bark add to its bold texture. It may reach 90 feet tall by 80 feet wide at maturity. It thrives in full sun to partial sun.

Planting

The planting site will be determined by the property owner and Park personnel. The planting will be in an area immediately behind the walk. Back and side yard plantings are not allowed. Such obstacles as underground utilities, existing buildings and trees and overhead wires should be taken into consideration. The Parks Division will have the final choice in the location of the planting site. The trees will be planted in the spring or fall depending upon delivery and weather.

Guarantee

Trees will be guaranteed to grow during the growing season immediately following their planting. Spring planted trees will grow that summer and fall planted trees will grow the following summer. The originally purchased tree will only be replaced once. Tree experiencing partial dieback will be handled on an individual basis.

If there are any questions, please call the Parks Maintenance Center at 296-2486.