Become a Tree City USA

More than 80 cities and towns in Washington State are discovering the many benefits of being a Tree City USA.

ECONOMIC BENEFITS
- Creates more opportunities for grant funding.
- Defines the value of volunteer efforts.
- Promotes a community’s investment in the future.
- Green infrastructure is good for business.

MANAGEMENT BENEFITS
- Creates a framework for managing trees and tree-related risks.
- Helps track associated activities and costs.
- Ensures consideration of trees during the development process.
- Establishes ordinance language to guide decision-making.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS
- Improves community health, character and aesthetics.
- Boosts civic pride.
- Celebrates community accomplishments.
- Connects citizens with their community’s trees.

“AS A TREE CITY USA, WE QUALIFIED FOR A GRANT TO REPLACE TREES THAT WERE TOPPLED BY A DEVASTATING WINDSTORM.”

MICHAEL SCHRAG
Ritzville Tree Committee Chairman

“THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL WANTED TO BE A TREE CITY USA TO PROMOTE OUR COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY.”

TERRY FLATLEY
Renton City Forester

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