

**150<sup>TH</sup>**  
ANNIVERSARY  
OF ARBOR DAY

**50** YEARS  
Arbor Day  
Foundation®



COMMUNITY TREE  
**RECOVERY**<sup>TM</sup>  
An Arbor Day Foundation Program

The Arbor Day Foundation's Community Tree Recovery program, a national program underwritten by FedEx and Foundation members, aims to replace trees in communities affected by natural disasters throughout the United States. The City of Bridgeport has received funding from the Arbor Day Foundation Tree Recovery Program to receive 75 free trees to improve the public benefit that trees provide to Bridgeport citizens. To ensure a fair distribution, 25 trees have been designated for various public spaces where Bridgeport citizens spend their time. The remaining 50 trees will be distributed to Bridgeport citizens, residing within Bridgeport City Limits on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 pm at the Community Center. Tree size will range from four feet to twelve feet tall, evergreens will be no less than 18".

#### Planting requirements:

- These trees must be planted between the front of the house and the back of the curb of a recognized public street/road. This is not limited to the right-of-way. Trees should only be planted in the ROW if site conditions are suitable for the species of tree you receive. The lawn will likely provide more soil volume for a tree's root system and avoid public utilities.
- If you have a corner lot, you may also plant between the side of the house and the back of the curb. This will ensure that these new trees will provide public benefit by shading sidewalks, street side parking, improve the view from the street and increase home values. These stipulations are a requirement of the grant deliverables agreed upon by the City of Bridgeport as a recipient of the Arbor Day Foundation Tree Recovery Program.

#### Distribution day:

- Check in prior to the Arbor Day Ceremony and tree planting demonstration
- Planting demonstration is REQUIRED
- Failure to sign in and attend demonstration will result in you being dropped to the bottom of the list to select your tree.
- After the demonstration, you will be called by the order of first come - first serve based on when you submit your form, and if you signed in before the planting demonstration, not when you arrive.
- You will be given the opportunity to select from the available species categorized by size and special characteristics based on what you indicate as your first, second, and third preference.
- Record your tree selection at the sign-in/out table and collect your planting materials bundle.

# Bridgeport Tree Distribution SAMPLE Application

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (ex: Sterling Morton): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (ex: 308-601-2345): \_\_\_\_\_

Address where you will be planting your tree: \_\_\_\_\_

Location you will plant your tree \*

Between front of house and back of curb

Between side of house and back of curb

In the right-of-way between the sidewalk and the curb. Space must be a minimum of 5' wide.

All applications must be entered on the online form to be placed in order of first come, first serve.

Does your site have overhead power lines? If so, you should select a small shade tree or a species that will not get taller than 25 feet.

Yes

No

Need an internet connection: stop in the Library or Community Center to submit your application starting March 1st.

Tree Choice #1 \*

1. Large Shade Tree
2. Medium Shade Tree
3. Small Shade Tree
4. Flowering Tree (very limited quantities are available)
5. Fruiting Tree (very limited quantities are available)

Tree Choice #2 \*

1. Large Shade Tree
2. Medium Shade Tree
3. Small Shade Tree
4. Flowering Tree (very limited quantities are available)
5. Fruiting Tree (very limited quantities are available)

Tree Choice #3 \*

1. Large Shade Tree
2. Medium Shade Tree
3. Small Shade Tree
4. Flowering Tree (very limited quantities are available)
5. Fruiting Tree (very limited quantities are available)

Do you have room for more than one tree, ON YOUR PROPERTY, per the grant placement requirements? If so, would you be interested in a second tree if there are not enough people signed up to receive a tree and we have extras? We will go back through the list by first come first serve order and call out anyone who answers yes.

Yes

No

**Arbor Day Celebration and Distribution on  
April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1:00 PM @ Community Center**



**Applications open March 1<sup>st</sup>!**

Complete online application here: <https://forms.gle/GFAFejMY8ogJKcZq7>

OR scan the square code with your smart phone camera >>>>>>>>>>

OR find the link to the application form on our City Facebook page!