# Trees are Great for Neighborhoods!

- Increase property values by 5% to 20%
- Reduce air pollution
- Lower air conditioning costs by 10% to 15%
- Lower heating costs by providing a wind break
- Reduce air-borne pollutants
- Increase oxygen in the air
- Reduce storm water runoff and the possibility of flooding
- Buffer noises
- Provide habitat for wildlife

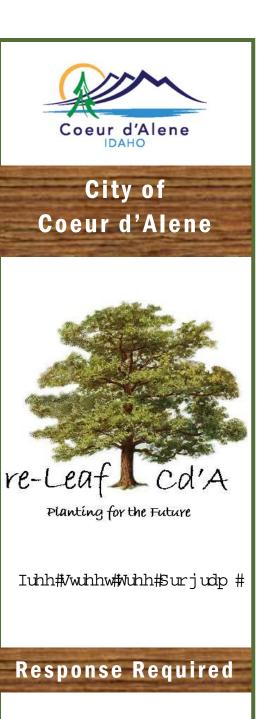
Trees are great for neighborhoods! We like trees because they make life more pleasant. They add nature to our man-made environment. They balance the straight lines of architecture with softness and color. They make our homes more sheltered and peaceful. Beyond being attractive, neighborhood trees have many practical benefits like those listed above. Research shows that shading of our streets even prolongs the life of the pavement!





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## Would you like a street tree?

THE TREES PROVIDED THOUGH THIS PROGRAM CANNOT BE USED TO FULFILL A TREE REQUIREMENT AND/OR FOR A REFUND.

To assure that new neighborhoods have street trees, the City of Coeur d'Alene charges a street tree fee on each residential building permit. The builder or new homeowner can plant a street tree and receive a refund of the fee. However, if no request for refund has been made within six months after the certificate of occupancy has been issued, the City is free to use the funds to plant street trees throughout Coeur d'Alene.

We have funds to plant one or more trees at your address.

If you would like to have a tree(s) planted within the right-of-way at your home, **and** if you are willing to care for the tree(s), **please return the** response form by March 30th.

There are a limited number of trees, so reply as soon as you can!



Contract crews will do the tree planting!

#### What Is a Street Tree?

The trees will be planted within the public right-of-way. Generally, this is the area between the curb and the sidewalk.

#### Tree Species

Planting a variety of trees is desirable because it is more visually interesting. It is also better for tree health because it slows the spread of species-specific diseases and pests. Therefore this program will be planting a variety of tree species. When trees are to be planted in the storm-water swale, a species will be used that tolerates low oxygen in the root zone and the impurities that will wash off of the streets into the swales.

You can indicate your preference from the species listed. We will try to honor your choice, but cannot guarantee that you will get the tree you request. There are a limited number of trees that will be given on a first-come basis.

#### Tree Care

Please request a tree only if you will be able to provide the care that it needs. This will include providing adequate water on a regular basis, preventing damage from turf care equipment (mowers and string trimmers), monitoring tree health and long-term general maintenance.

### Planting Timeline

Tree planting is planned for April and May. Prior to planting, potential planting spots will be marked with your input. Then the City will call for the location of underground utilities. Additional adjustments may be made after utility location. A contract crew will then do the tree planting.

This process begins with your response as to whether you want a tree and are able to care for it. <u>Please respond by March 30th</u>

### Response Form

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I am the	□ owner resident □
Mailing A	address (if not the same as above):
Phone N	umber:
Email:	
Number	of street trees requested:
(Keep in m	ind utilities, water lines and light poles, to be spaced 35'ft apart)
	reference:
•	t and 2nd choice)
`	Eastern Redbud
	Frontier Elm
	Metro Gold Maple
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Return Response Form by March 30th to:

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