



IN THE MIDST OF THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

TREE BOARD MEETING (CITY HALL)
August 12, 2024; 4:30 PM
Woodcreek, Texas

MEETING NOTICE

The Tree Board of the City of Woodcreek, Texas will conduct a meeting at Woodcreek City Hall, 41 Champions Circle, Woodcreek, Texas. The meeting will be held on Monday, August 12, 2024 at 4:30 PM.

The public may watch this meeting live at the following link:

https://zoom.us/j/98126597278?pwd=mGYs7PbgR3HPfWhBPoZ4x6uBGs1dPs.1

Meeting ID: 981 2659 7278; Passcode: 561930

A recording of the meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act upon written request. This notice, as amended, is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act (Vernon's Texas Codes Ann. Gov. Code Chapter 551).

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Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.

It is anticipated that members of other City Boards, Commissions, Panels and/or Committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other City Boards, Commissions, Panels and/or Committees. Notice is hereby given that this meeting, to the extent required by law, is also noticed as a meeting of the other City Boards, Commissions, Panels and/or Committees of the City, whose members may be in attendance. The members of the City Boards, Commissions, Panels and/or Committees may participate in discussions on the items listed on this agenda, which occur at this meeting, but no action will be taken by those in attendance unless such action item is specifically listed on an agenda during a regular or special meeting for the respective Board, Commission, Panel and/or Committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

The City Council may retire to Executive Session any time during this meeting, under Texas Government Code, Subchapter D. Action, if any, will be taken in open session.

This agenda has been reviewed and approved by the City's legal counsel and the presence of any subject in any Executive Session portion of the agenda constitutes a written interpretation of Texas Government Code Chapter 551 by legal counsel for the governmental body and constitutes an opinion by the attorney that the items discussed therein may be legally discussed in the closed portion of the meeting considering available opinions of a court of record and opinions of the Texas Attorney General known to the attorney. This provision has been added to this agenda with the intent to meet all elements necessary to satisfy Texas Government Code Chapter 551.144(c) and the meeting is conducted by all participants in reliance on this opinion.

Any citizen shall have a reasonable opportunity to be heard at any and all meetings of the Governing Body in regard to: (1) any and all matters to be considered at any such meeting, or (2) any matter a citizen may wish to bring to the Governing Body's attention. No member of the Governing Body may discuss or comment on any citizen public comment, except to make: (1) a statement of specific, factual information given in response to the inquiry, or (2) a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry. Any deliberation of or decision about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting per Texas Local Government code Sec. 551.042

Citizen comments will be allowed at the beginning of every meeting, or alternatively, before an item on the agenda upon which the citizen wishes to speak is to be considered. All citizens will be allowed to comment for three (3) minutes per person and shall be allowed more time at the Mayor or Chair's discretion. In addition, citizens may pool their allotted speaking time. To pool time, a speaker must present the names individuals present in the audience who wish to yield their three(3) minutes. Citizens may present materials regarding any agenda item to the City Secretary at or before a meeting, citizens attending any meeting are requested to complete a form providing their name, address, and agenda item/concern, but are not required to do so before speaking and presenting it to the City Secretary prior to the beginning of such meeting. Comments may only be disallowed and/or limited as per Government Code § 551.007(e).

Submit written comments by email to City.Secretary@WoodcreekTX.gov by NOON, the day prior to the meeting. Please include your full name, home or work address, and the agenda item number. Written comments will be part of the official written record only.

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# AGENDA

## CALL TO ORDER

## ROLL CALL and ESTABLISH QUORUM

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

## CONSENT AGENDA

- [1.](#) Approval of Regular Tree Board Meeting Minutes From July 8, 2024.

## REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND COUNCIL LIAISONS

2. Report by Tree Board Liaison. (Richardson)
  - a) Request for Proposal for Contracted City Arborist Position - RFP Closes August 31, 2024.
  - b) City of Woodcreek 2024-2025 FY Budget - Final Adoption in September 2024.

## NEW BUSINESS

3. Discuss and Take Possible Action Regarding 2024-2025 Future Arbor Day Celebration, To Possibly Partner With The Parks and Recreation Board For Scheduling An Event at Augusta Park. (Ramos)
4. Discuss and Take Possible Action To Search and Purchase Tree Saplings for Giveaways. (Ramos)
5. Discuss and Take Possible Action To Request Clarification On City Council's Purchase Approval Process of Replacement Trees in City Rights-of-Way, Based On Recommendations From the Tree Care Management Plan Committee. (Ramos)
- [6.](#) Discuss and Take Possible Action For Creating and Organizing the Tree Board into Action Committees. (Ramos)
7. Discuss and Take Possible Action To Consider The Collaboration with the Woodcreek Community Garden Club For Nursery Care of City Purchased Trees. (Ramos)
8. Discuss and Take Possible Action To Consider A City-Wide Fruit Orchard. (McElroy)
- [9.](#) Discuss and Take Possible Action To Consider Pursuing Funding From The Arbor Day Foundation Community Roots Program. (Ramos)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Tree Board Meeting Date: August 12, 2024.

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## POSTING CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above notice was posted on the **9th day of August, 2024 at 3:00PM**

By: 

**Suzanne J. MacKenzie, City Secretary**

**TREE BOARD MEETING (CITY HALL)**  
**July 08, 2024; 4:30 PM**  
**Woodcreek, Texas**

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**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chairperson Jacob McElroy Called the Meeting to Order at 4:35 PM.

**ROLL CALL and ESTABLISH QUORUM**

**PRESENT**

Chairperson Iris Ramos (via Zoom)  
Vice-Chairperson Jacob McElroy  
Board Member Terri Burney-Bisett  
Board Member Cheryl Mills  
Council Liaison, Krista Richardson

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No Public Comments were offered.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Approval of Regular Tree Board Meeting Minutes From June 10, 2024.**

Motion was made by Member Newton to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Member Mills.

Amended motion was made by Member Burney-Bisett to edit the spelling of her name. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chairperson McElroy.

Vice-Chairperson McElroy Called for A Show of Hands on the Amended Motion.

Motion Passed: 4-0-0.

Vice-Chairperson McElroy Called for A Show of Hands on the Main Motion.

Motion Passed: 4-0-0.

**REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND COUNCIL LIAISONS**

2. Report by Tree Board Council Liaison. (Richardson)

- a) Hire of Certified City Arborist
- b) Judy Newton Nomination by Council to Tree Board

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. **Discuss and Take Possible Action Regarding 2024/2025 Future Arbor Day Celebration, Including Possibly Selecting Event Dates.**

Motion was made by Vice-Chairperson McElroy to place on the City Calendar on April 4, 2025 A Spring Arbor Day Celebration from 5:00-7:00PM at Triangle Park, with a food truck and information from vendors. Motion was seconded by Member Mills.

Vice-Chairperson McElroy Called for A Show of Hands on the Main Motion.

Motion Passed: 4-0-0.

## NEW BUSINESS

4. **Workshop to Discuss Status of the Tree Care Management Plan Sub-Committees.**

- a) Mission and Vision (Chair Ramos and Vice-Chair McElroy)
- b) Current Status (Member Burney-Biset and Member Mills) - Review of Tree Survey Results.

Workshop Opened at 4:32 PM.

Workshop Closed at 4:58 PM.

5. **Discuss and Take Possible Action To Create A Recommended Action On A Tree Care Management Plan.**

No formal voting action was taken on this item.

6. **Discuss and Take Possible Action Regarding Strategic Tree Board Annual Budget for 2024-2025.**

Motion was made by Member Mills to add a ten(10) percent contingency to this existing budget and ask Krista to present this budget at the City Budget Workshop. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chairperson McElroy.

Vice-Chairperson McElroy Called for A Show of Hands on the Main Motion.

Motion Passed: 4-0-0.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Tree Board Meeting Date: August 12, 2024.

**ADJOURN**

Vice-Chairperson Jacob McElroy Adjourned the Meeting at 6:25 PM.

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*Jacob McElroy, Vice-Chairperson*

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*Krista Richardson, Council Liaison*

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## Common Functions of a Tree Board

- **Policy Formulation.** This is the creation of guiding principles, such as those reflected in a tree ordinance. For example, who is responsible for right-of-way trees, what rules should be imposed on developers, etc.
- **Advising.** A board can provide citizen input to the city forester and/or mayor and city council on tree-related issues.
- **Administration.** In smaller communities, this may include keeping records, making assignments, overseeing the Tree City USA application process, and similar tasks.
- **Management.** Again, this would mostly be a function in smaller communities, where the tree board may be directly responsible for tree care such as planting, pruning, watering, and removals.
- **Representation.** Sometimes boards are structured to make sure certain community interests are included, such as nursery operators, arborists, Master Gardeners, downtown merchants, and similar groups. At the very least, a tree board member is a representative of the town's residents.
- **Advocacy.** This is a tough one, and sometimes related to the function above. As a member of the board, you probably are — or should be — an advocate for the trees in your community. How you apply your advocacy, or balance it with the interests of any particular group you may represent, will help determine the success of urban forestry in your area. Compromise is sometimes a key to success, and it is essential to not alienate elected officials or other policymakers. At the same time, as a board member, your primary goal should be to advocate for good, sound urban forestry and for it to be conducted on a systematic and continuing basis.
- **Education.** Rare is the tree board that is not interested in and willing to help residents, including children, gain a better understanding about the benefits of trees and the need for planting and care.

pointed out in Chapter 1, this should be spelled out in a tree ordinance or sometimes by executive order or declaration of the mayor or city council/commission. In some small communities, the board may have

formed as the result of an incident, such as an invasive pest destroying trees, or to help with a community event. In any case, you and all members of the board must have a clear understanding of what you are charged

to do. As chartered, is the board advisory to the mayor and council or to the city forester or city arborist? Are you charged with making policy for an overall program, or are you to develop a city tree program and serve as labor? What limitations have been placed on your board, if any? Read the ordinance and ask questions.

Times and circumstances change, so another thing to consider is whether the original purpose of the board will still serve the needs of the community. If not, what latitude do you have for making adjustments to meet current and future needs?

The answers to these questions will get you off to a good start, making sure you are on the same page with city officials and your colleagues.

### ■ A Job Description

This may seem like something only created for employment, but it is also good for volunteers, including tree board members. Before joining the board, it can help a candidate decide whether participation is a good fit. Once a member, it provides clarity about what is expected, and even grounds for asking an unproductive member to resign. It should be in writing and include what is expected in the way of duties, time commitment, and meeting attendance. The example provided at the right, is just that — an example. Yours should be tailored to the needs of your community.

### ■ Keys to Effective Meetings

Time is our most precious possession, and nothing wastes more of it and has a more dampening effect on enthusiasm than long, dull meetings. Here are some proven techniques to make meetings productive and maintain the interest of tree board members:

**1. Send reminders.** Nothing kills productivity like missing members or unfilled assignments. The chair or secretary

should email or call members a few days ahead of each meeting to serve as a reminder. Members who are consistently absent should be replaced.

**2. Start on time — and stay on time.** Time is important to most people. The board chair needs to respect this and clearly ask members to do likewise.

#### Job Description

## Volunteer Tree Board Member Pleasantville, Anyplace

**General Responsibilities:** Serve in an advisory capacity to city council, assist the city forester in educational efforts, plan and conduct annual Arbor Day activities, and participate in special projects such as tree plantings.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Resident of the City of Pleasantville
- An interest in trees and how they benefit the community
- The ability to work as a team member and actively participate in scheduled events
- Willingness to commit approximately six hours monthly, including one evening meeting per month, usually on Tuesdays

#### **Activities:**

Activities are variable, and some depend on the interests of board members. Those of a routine nature include:

- Assisting the city forester in developing and/or reviewing annually and updating as necessary a long-range plan for the city's urban forest.
- Reviewing annual work plans related to the urban forestry program with the city forester.
- Advising the mayor, city council, and city departments on matters concerning trees and related resources, including revisions of the city tree ordinance.
- Serving on an appeals panel regarding decisions to remove or allow the removal of trees in the city rights-of-way.
- Helping to plan and conduct an annual Arbor Day celebration on the last Friday in April.
- Participating in educational campaigns that may include occasional school and civic organization presentations, interviews with mass media, and creation of printed materials.
- Serving as liaison with organizations planning and conducting tree-related events or projects.

# COMMUNITY ROOTS PROGRAM

## ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

START YOUR APPLICATION

Applications are due August 12th, 2024.

Community-based nonprofit organizations are eligible

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The Arbor Day Foundation (ADF) is pleased to be a recipient of grant funding from the USDA Forest Service Urban & Community Forestry Program, under the Inflation Reduction Act (Funding Opportunity #: USDA-FS-2023-UCF-IRA-01). We will serve as a national pass-through partner of the Forest Service, providing funding for community-based nonprofit organizations, as defined below.

The Arbor Day Foundation is positioned to drive investments in tree planting and maintenance, planning, and capacity building in selected communities. Subawardees will have access to a cohort of peers and experts within the Arbor Day Foundation and the Urban and Community Forestry Society (UCFS)'s networks and the opportunity to connect with mentors/coaches from around the nation. Subawardees will also be invited to attend the annual Partners in Community Forestry conference to further develop their urban forestry network.

The Period of Performance for this opportunity will start no later than September 30, 2024 and must be completed by September 29th, 2027. No-cost extensions may be available if needed and with approval for an additional 6 months.

## Timeline

APPROXIMATE DATES	MILESTONE
July 12, 2024	Subaward application portal opens



APPROXIMATE DATES	MILESTONE
August 12, 2024	Subaward applications are DUE by 5pm, CDT
August 16, 2024	Successful applicants will be notified and an official statement about awardees will be made
August 23, 2024	Subaward Agreements will be sent to successful candidates
September 30, 2024	All Subaward Agreements must be fully executed

## Who's Eligible

Community-based nonprofit organizations are eligible. This is defined as a nonprofit organization that supports and/or represents a community and/or certain populations within a community through engagement, education, and other related services provided to individual community residents and community stakeholders. A “community” can be characterized by a particular geographic area and/or by the relationships among members with similar interests and can be characterized as part of a broader national or regional community where organizations can be focused on the needs of urban, rural and/or Tribal areas. All work led by community-based nonprofit organizations must directly impact disadvantaged communities as defined by the Council on Environmental Quality’s Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) or as defined by the Environmental Protection Agency’s EPA IRA Disadvantaged Communities tool and be for the benefit of historically underserved or underrepresented communities.

## Available Funding

Individual subawards will range from a minimum of \$100,000 to a maximum of \$1,000,000 total, over a 3-year period, depending on the scope of work, unique needs, and capabilities of the applicant.

A minimum of \$4,300,000 in total funding is available.

Additional funding may be awarded at Arbor Day Foundation’s discretion.

Cost share or match is NOT a requirement for your subaward agreement. (An example of cost match could be donated trees from a local nursery.)

## Methodology and Review of Applications

The Arbor Day Foundation will prioritize proposals that seek to increase tree canopy and address challenges such as nature deprivation, access to green jobs, food insecurity, and urban heat. Applicants should demonstrate a deep

familiarity with the unique needs of their community and have developed a specific plan to collaborate with residents and trusted organizations within the impacted community.

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We have 2 project tracks:

**Track 1**

Submit a project based on the unique needs of your organization and community. You will explain those needs and how you plan to address them.

**Track 2**

Create a project using an [Implementation Template](#). Implementation Templates are free educational roadmaps authored by expert organizations to help grow capabilities in specific areas of community forestry. They are deep dives into relevant topics with guidance on applying learnings to goals. You may connect with an Implementation Template author to determine if you are ready to pursue a project inspired by an Implementation Template. Your proposal can include budgeting for the work itself and optional coaching from the Implementation Template author.

Subaward application review will be conducted using processes and a scoring rubric that aim for fair and objective assessment of applications, while remaining competitive. Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria, with a maximum of 100 points:

**Organizational Overview** (0 – 10 points)

**Community Focus Areas / Tract Locations (EPA IRA Disadvantaged Communities Tool / CEJST Tool)** (0 – 30 points)

**Project Narrative, Capacity Building, Technical Merit** (0 – 50 points)

**Budget & Cost Effectiveness** (0 – 10 points)

**Reporting Requirements**

Bi-annual reporting will be required from subawardees. This will help measure and track progress, ensure goals are met, and avoid payment delays. If a no-cost extension is requested and approved, there may be additional reporting periods and requirements.

APPROXIMATE DATES	MILESTONE
January 2025	First bi-annual progress report from subawardees is due
July 2025	Second bi-annual progress report from subawardees is due
January 2026	Third bi-annual progress report from subawardees is due
July 2026	Fourth bi-annual progress report from subawardees is due
January 2027	Fifth bi-annual progress report from subawardees is due
July 2027	Sixth bi-annual progress report from subawardees is due
October 2027	Final reporting due, unless a No-Cost

**APPROXIMATE DATES**

**MILESTONE**

Extension was requested and approved

## Additional Information

To ensure applicants have equal access to all information, we will post all questions received via email on our website. If you need any additional information or have questions regarding this funding opportunity, you can contact us for guidance and assistance at: [grants@arborday.org](mailto:grants@arborday.org)

## Guidance for Completing the Online Subaward Application

Use the definitions below as a guide to the information you will need to include and describe in the online application form.

**REMINDER:** APPLICATIONS ARE DUE August 12th, 2024 by 5 PM CDT.

START YOUR APPLICATION

Applications are due August 12th, 2024.

For additional questions about the funding process, contact [grants@arborday.org](mailto:grants@arborday.org).

## Partnerships

If you have any partnering organizations, please list them. Partners may include entities such as local community organizations, municipalities, non-profit organizations, schools, local businesses, etc. If any partnering organization will receive funds for their work or play a key role in your project, please attach a letter of support from them.

## Community Focus Areas

All subawards must fund work that directly impacts disadvantaged communities as defined by the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) or the EPA IRA Disadvantaged Communities tool. Please provide the Census tract numbers using either tool to demonstrate that the proposed work will be in and for the benefit of a disadvantaged community.

- [Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool](#)

CEJST TOOL IMAGE

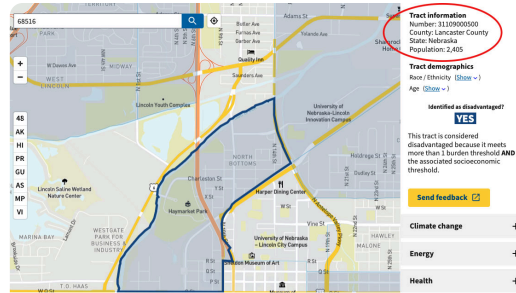
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- [EPA IRA Disadvantaged Communities Tool](#)

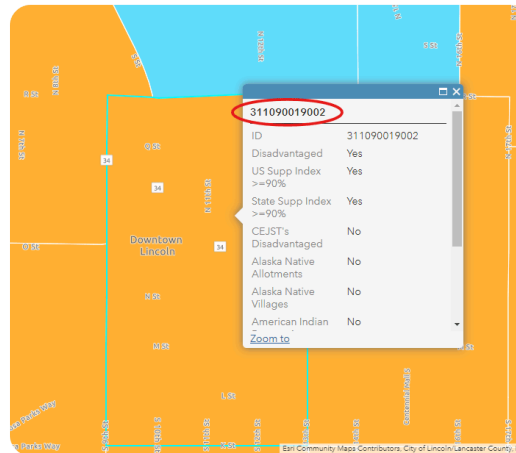
Please provide the tract number and county information for the community location for your project. You can select more than one community area. Be sure to include the tract number for all locations. To get the tract information using the Climate and Economic Justice Screening tool:

1. Using the search box at the upper left corner of the CEJST screen to type in your target area zip code. The map will zoom into that zip code and surrounding area.
2. Using your mouse, click on the community areas you intend to focus on. The tract information will open in a box on the right side of the map screen, as shown below circled in red:

You can upload a screenshot of the area(s) you intend to focus on for your project. (Optional)



EPA IRA Disadvantaged Communities TOOL IMAGE



### Engagement Timeline

Please provide a general timeline for the events you're planning and the goals you hope to achieve. A brief overview is all that is necessary (your exact dates might not yet be planned out and available.) Projects should be designed for annual milestones.

### Project Details

Please provide information on how you will use this subaward to engage communities in urban forestry. Share goals for community engagement, capacity building, proposed outcomes, and the plans to achieve those outcomes.

Your project details should lay out your achievable goals for the first year, second year, and final year of the project. Be sure to include the details on how your project will address target goals such as increasing tree canopy and alleviating challenges associated with nature deprivation, access to green jobs, food insecurity, and urban heat. You are not required to address every one of these targeted goals. Your project details should be no longer than 500 words. Additional information or clarification may be requested at the time of award.

### Budget Requirements

Care will be taken to ensure that the program supports a variety of allowable funding usage for work that represents a clear path to increased equitable access to canopy, increased resilience to climate change, and broadened community engagement through collaboration.

# Budget Template

(This template is optional; applicants may use a different format for their budget template.)

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Personnel		
Fringe Benefits		
Travel		
Supplies		
Contractual		
Other		
Total Direct Costs		
Indirect Costs		
Total Project Costs (Sum of direct and indirect costs)		

# Budget Narrative

Please provide a brief narrative for your budget.

- Personnel** - List all staff positions by title. Give annual salary, percentage of time assigned to the project, and total cost for the budget period. This category includes only direct costs for the salaries of those individuals who will perform work directly for the program (paid employees of the applicant organization as reflected in payroll tax records).
- Fringe Benefits** - Identify the percentage used, the basis for its computation, and the types of benefits included. Fringe benefits are allowances and services provided by employers to their employees as compensation in addition to regular salaries and wages.
- Travel** - Specify the mileage, per diem, estimated number of trips in-state and out-of-state, number of travelers, and other costs for each type of travel. (Travel may include conference attendance, travelling for training or professional development, etc.)
- Supplies** - "Supplies" means all tangible personal property other than "equipment." The budget detail should identify categories of supplies to be procured (e.g., trees, tree diapers, pruning shears, gloves, etc).
- Contractual** - Identify proposed contracts, specifying the purpose and estimated cost for typical contractual services and disaggregating any costs for acquisitions of intangible property. Contractual services (including consultant services) are those services to be carried out by an individual or organization, other than the applicant, in the form of a procurement relationship.
- Other** - List each item in sufficient detail to determine the reasonableness and allowability of the cost. This category should include only those types of direct costs that do not fit in any of the other budget categories including subawards, participant support costs, and additional costs (e.g., insurance, costs for acquiring or improving real property, rental / lease of equipment or supplies, equipment service or maintenance contracts, and printing or photocopying).
- Indirect Costs** - If indirect costs are budgeted, indicate the approved rate and distribution base. Indirect costs are those incurred by the grantee for a common or joint purpose that benefit more than one cost objective or project and are not readily assignable to specific

cost objectives or projects as a direct cost. Indirect costs must be based on a rate approved by the applicant's cognizant federal agency or the 10% de-minimis rate authorized by 2 CFR § 200.414(f).

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**From:** [Iris Ramos](#)  
**To:** [City Secretary](#)  
**Cc:** [Krista Richardson](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Funding for community-based nonprofit organizations for attachment to Tree Board Aug 12 meeting agenda  
**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 10:11:02 AM  
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**Subject:** FW: Funding for community-based nonprofit organizations  
**Date:** July 12, 2024 at 12:04:07 PM CDT  
**To:** "[iris1@irisramos.com](mailto:iris1@irisramos.com)" <[iris1@irisramos.com](mailto:iris1@irisramos.com)>, Jeff Rasco <[jeff.rasco@woodcreektx.gov](mailto:jeff.rasco@woodcreektx.gov)>, Krista Richardson <[krista.richardson@woodcreektx.gov](mailto:krista.richardson@woodcreektx.gov)>

Got this email today. I have not looked in to it but thought the tree board may find it useful.

Thank you,

**Jim Burton**  
**City Administrator**  
**City of Woodcreek**

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**From:** Arbor Day Foundation <[grants@arborday.org](mailto:grants@arborday.org)>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 12, 2024 11:23 AM  
**To:** Manager <[manager@woodcreektx.gov](mailto:manager@woodcreektx.gov)>  
**Subject:** Funding for community-based nonprofit organizations

Apply today to support your urban forestry project.



## Grow resilience in your community with Community Roots Program funding

Right now, Community Roots Program funding is available to community-based nonprofit organizations to help support urban forestry projects in underserved and often overlooked communities.

The Arbor Day Foundation's Community Roots Program is made possible through the USDA Forest Service and Community Forestry program with Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funding. This allows the Arbor Day Foundation to connect approved nonprofit organizations to funding resources, a peer network that provides guidance and encouragement, and other learning opportunities.

To bring your urban forestry project to life, visit our Request for Application (RFA) [page](#) where you can start the application process, find valuable information, and receive support every step of the way.

## Request for Application page is officially open

[START APPLICATION](#)

Application deadline is August 12

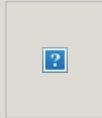
This is the moment for community-based nonprofit organizations to improve the health and resilience of their communities through projects like planting urban orchards that bring neighbors together to gather and tighten bonds. Shady spots that provide relief from the scorching sun. Education and hands-on experiences that engage communities and provide them with beneficial skills.

Applications are accepted today July 12 to August 12 on our [Request for Application](#) page. If you have additional questions, please email [grants@arborday.org](mailto:grants@arborday.org). Please forward this email to others who would benefit from this opportunity.



We're ready to help you grow impact for those who need it most.

**Know a Tribal organization or an organization that works with Tribal communities? Share this additional Tribal [funding opportunity](#) with them.**



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