

URBAN FORESTRY ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The City of Carmel, through its Department of Community Services, maintains all the trees within the public right-of-way and public service easement. Although, the majority of the program is directed through the Department of Community Services, the Carmel/Clay Parks and Recreation Department, the Carmel Street Department, and the City Utilities Department also have responsibility for trees in many areas of the city. These various responsibilities and the means by which they are carried out are specified in a series of ordinances, standards, and planning documents adopted by the City Council.

| URBAN FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEMBERS The end of the year following the members name is when their 3 year term expires. | |
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| Dan Franzman 2022 | Kevin Daugherty 2020 |
| Mike Volz 2022 | Robert Hosler 2020 |
| Marilyn Bauchat 2022 | Mike Roth 2021 |
| Linda Lange 2022 | |

COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

Each meeting starts at 4:00pm at City Hall in the 2nd floor Caucus Room, normally on the 4th Wednesday of each month. Please call 317-571-2417 for more details.

URBAN FORESTRY COMMITTEE

The Urban Forestry Committee is a board composed of seven members who are appointed by the mayor. The Committee's responsibilities are to assist the city in the development and administration of a comprehensive community tree management program.

Our Vision:

The city of Carmel Urban Forestry Committee envisions a future of the Urban Forest as a healthy, diverse, colorful, display of canopy trees lining the streets and throughout the city, which provides an environment which sustains wildlife and is accessible to every resident.

Our Mission:

The purpose of the Urban Forestry Committee is to assist, advise, and develop urban forestry programs for the city of Carmel; while also helping direct a well funded, cost- effective program and to attract different sources of funding. Through their efforts, they will continually update and modify the urban forestry program as well as participate in activities that emphasize education and maintenance of the urban forest.

GOALS

1. Assure sustained funding and continue to increase funding of the community forestry program.

- Raising per capita funding each year.
- Provide necessary funding for enforcement of the City tree ordinances and regulations. Utilize multiple sources of funding (budget, grants, non-profit organizations, sales, corporate donations, trust fund, in kind labor, partnerships).

2. To create public involvement in Urban Forestry.

- Develop a participatory street tree program, and promoting off-street planting for neighborhoods.
- Promote community forest curriculum elements within the public schools. Undertake an active program of community outreach and education, including development of a Carmel Urban Forestry web page.
- Use all cost effective means to promote programs (press releases, brochures, banners, website, displays, etc.)
- Acknowledge citizens who volunteer in helping the urban forestry program.

3. To establish and promote the highest standards of maintenance for the Carmel/Clay Township urban forest.

4. To advocate continuing development of a healthy urban forest in Carmel/Clay Township.

- Achieve a minimum 50% canopy coverage of all streets
- Replace every tree removed from a street with at least one new tree.
- Use and promoting species well adapted to local environmental and design objectives.
- Achieve a diverse forest with no one introduced species comprising more than 10% of the whole or 25% of any one neighborhood.
- Develop diverse and distinctive plantings along major streets and neighborhoods.

5. To continue to help Carmel/ Clay Township be a desirable location for business and home by strengthening its successful and recognized urban forestry program.

- Achievement of the Tree City USA award annually

- Achievement of the Tree City USA Growth award annually
- Improvement of the Carmel Urban Forestry Manual by focusing on improvements in plant science, technology, and long range planning
- Involvement of committee members and Carmel/Clay staff in State and National Urban Forestry organizations

Carmel Urban Forestry Awards and Planting/Pruning Projects

| Year | Excellence in Urban Forestry Award Recipient | |
|------|---|--|
| 1997 | Citizens for Greenspace | |
| 1998 | IPALCO | |
| 1999 | Beau Wilfong | |
| 2000 | none | |
| 2001 | Sue Dillon | |
| 2002 | Mark Boyce | |
| 2003 | Carmel Street Department | |
| 2004 | Donna Manlove | |
| | Donna Manlove Award and Commercial Beautification Award Recipient | |
| 2005 | Kristi Clark | Clay Terrace Lifestyle Center |
| 2006 | Cheryl Gettelfinger | The Carmax Superstore, Inc |
| 2007 | Pam Louks | J. C. Sipe Jewelers, Inc |
| 2008 | George Ohmer | Red Robin International, Inc |
| 2009 | Rebecca Schmiesing | Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church/Becker Landscape |
| 2010 | Sue Engledow | Wabash & Tippecanoe IND Campus buildings – The Capital Group Companies, Opus North Corporation HGOR Planners & Landscape Architects and The Brickman Group |
| 2011 | Northview Church | Legacy Towns and Flats – JC Hart Company, Inc and HempDesign |
| 2012 | Grace Community Church | The Regions Corporation and The Robert Group |
| 2013 | Gary Doxtater | One.One.Six. Apartments On College – JC Hart Company, Inc HempDesign |
| 2014 | Leigh Bangs | The Bridges – Commercial Block, Phase 1 |
| 2015 | Lauren Gibson/ Recognition to the Carmel Green Teen Micro-Grant Program | None |
| 2016 | Carmel Boy Scout Troop 132 | The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints |
| 2017 | Waterwood Sub | St Peters United Church of Christ Carmel |
| 2018 | Brandy Yost | |
| 2019 | Carmel Green Initiative | |
| 2020 | | |

| Year | Neighborhood Fall Planting Projects |
|-------------|--|
| 1996 | Johnson Acres subdivision |
| 1997 | Lake Forest subdivision |
| 1998 | High Drive (Carmel Dr. N to 126 th St.) |
| 1999 | Plum Creek North and Parkside Village subdivision |
| 2000 | None |
| 2001 | None |
| 2002 | Woodland Springs (north point to 116 th St.) |
| 2003 | Carmel Knoll (Meadow Lane median) |
| 2004 | Kingswood subdivision |
| 2005 | Carmel Drive (126 th Street to Crestwood Drive) |
| 2006 | Stone Haven at Haverstick |
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| 2008 | Fairgreen Trace |
| 2009 | Eden Village |
| 2010 | Settlers Ridge at Haverstick |
| 2011 | Trails at Hayden Run |
| 2012 | N. Rangeline Rd/Carmel Police Dept. |
| 2013 | Lakes at Hazel Dell Summerbrook Court |
| 2014 | Pruning: Lakeside Subdivision |
| 2015 | Pruning: Brookshire Pines, Brookshire North and Autumn Lake Subdivisions |
| 2016 | Pruning: Emerald Crest Subdivision |
| 2017 | Pruning: Shelbourne Estates |
| 2018 | Pruning: Delaware Commons |
| 2019 | Pruning: The Meadows at the Legacy |
| 2020 | |

| Year | Arbor Day Tree Planting Site |
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| 1989 | Main Street and UMC (68 Trees) |
| 1990 | Carmel Drive (71 Trees) |
| 1991 | Medical Drive and Carmel Drive (73 Trees) |
| 1992 | C/C County Park (275 Trees) |
| 1993 | Carey Grove Park (85 Trees and 198 shrubs) |
| 1994 | PSI Wetland (197 Trees and shrubs) |
| 1995 | West Carmel Drive at Meijer Store (53 Trees) |
| 1996 | Range Line Road at Smokey Row to 4 th St (100 Trees) |
| 1997 | Gray Road at 126 th to 131 st St. |
| 1998 | Guilford Road at Adam St. to College Wood (102 Trees) |
| 1999 | River Heritage Trail Park (175 Trees) |
| 2000 | West Side Park (211 Trees and shrubs) |
| 2001 | Inlow Park (214 Trees) |
| 2002 | City Center Drive/Gray Rd at 116 th to 131 st St. (175 Trees) |
| 2003 | West Park (210 Trees) |
| 2004 | Central Park and Hazel Landing Park (300 Trees) |

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| 2005 | Hazel Landing Park (300 Trees) |
| 2006 | Central Park (300 Trees) |
| 2007 | Central Park (200 Trees) |
| 2008 | West Park (200 Trees) |
| 2009 | Founders Park (205 Trees) |
| 2010 | Inlow Park (50 Trees) and Creekside Middle School (11 Trees) |
| 2011 | Carmel Utilities Wastewater Treatment Plant (4 trees) |
| 2012 | Founders Park (600 seedlings) |
| 2013 | Monon Center (1 tree at Founders Park and 100 seedlings) |
| 2014 | One Center Green (200 seedlings) |
| 2015 | One Center Green (250 seedlings) |
| 2016 | One Center Green (300 seedlings) |
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| 2020 | |