Community Family Forest is a competitive grant program available to ND communities, administered by NDSU-North Dakota Forest Service, with funding from the “Trees for North Dakota” Trust Fund. Applications and associated documents are available at https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/ndfs/opportunities/grants

**Program Overview**

**PROGRAM PURPOSE**
To honor families in the state by planting trees in ND communities and to strengthen the tradition of annual tree planting.

**ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**
Applicant must contact NDFS personnel to coordinate project planning efforts. Public entities that own or control the land where the project will be located must submit the application.

**FUNDS AVAILABLE**
A public entity is eligible to receive a maximum grant award of $1,500. **ND Tree City USA communities are eligible for a maximum grant award of $2,000.** One application will be accepted per community. Grant funds will be distributed on a reimbursement basis.

**MATCH REQUIREMENTS**
At least 20% of the total cost of the project must be contributed by the applicant in the form of cash, services, and/or in-kind contributions.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**
April 30, 2017. No faxed or emailed applications will be accepted. Applications postmarked after April 30 will not be accepted.

Mail the ORIGINAL application and seven (7) copies to:
NDSU-North Dakota Forest Service
Attn: CF Grants
916 East Interstate Avenue, Suite #4
Bismarck, ND  58503-1227

**PROJECT COMPLETION**
Projects must be completed and reimbursement forms submitted before or on December 31, 2018.

Applicant MUST contact one of these NDFS personnel to coordinate project planning efforts in the course of completing the application:

Gerri Makay:  CF Program Manager  Carrington  701.652.2951  Gerri.Makay@ndsu.edu
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