

## 2023 SPRING North Dakota Forest Service America the Beautiful (ATB) Tree Planting Grant

ATB Tree Planting Grant is a competitive grant program available to North Dakota communities, administered by NDSU-North Dakota Forest Service in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service. Associated documents are available at <a href="https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/ndfs/programs-and-services/america-the-beautiful-grant-opportunities">https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/ndfs/programs-and-services/america-the-beautiful-grant-opportunities</a>

Applicant MUST contact one of these NDFS personnel to coordinate project planning efforts and to obtain a grant application: Gerri Makay Community Forestry Manager - Carrington Tel: (701) 652-2951 • E-mail: <u>Gerri.Makay@ndsu.edu</u> Joel Allen Community Forestry Specialist - Bismarck Tel: (701) 328-9941 • E-mail: <u>Joel.Allen@ndsu.edu</u> Beth Peske Community Forestry Technician - Bismarck Tel: (701) 389-7503 • E-mail: <u>Beth.Peske@ndsu.edu</u>

## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

- **PROGRAM PURPOSE** To stimulate the development of innovative and effective community forestry tree planting projects that promote the diversity of trees in the community.
- **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS** Applicant must contact NDFS personnel to coordinate project planning efforts at which time they will receive the grant application. 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 **\$25,000.** Bids or price quotes will be required for successful applicants. Grant funds will be distributed on a reimbursement basis.
- **MATCH REQUIREMENTS** At least 50% of the total cost of the project must be contributed by the applicant from sources other than federal funds, in the form of cash and/or in-kind contributions.
- APPLICATION DEADLINE 11:59 PM/April 28, 2023 Applications must be sent by electronic format (preferred) OR postmarked by this time/date. Applications sent electronically/postmarked after April 28 will not be accepted. Email your application to one of the Community Forestry staff listed above.

\*Please save applications as Year-Project Type-Entity (eg: 2023SPRING ATB TP Anytown)

If you are submitting by mail, please mail the ORIGINAL application (no copies needed) to: Community Forestry Grants North Dakota Forest Service 916 East Interstate Ave Suite 4 Bismarck, ND 58503-1227

## **PROJECT COMPLETION** Projects must be completed and all reimbursement forms submitted by **November 29, 2024.**

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