

The 2023 Village Forests Program

A Collaboration between the Village of Three Oaks and Harbor Country Rotary

The goal of the Village Forests Program is to aid Village residents in acquiring trees for their 'tree lawns' by paying for them in full and planting them for you. The 'tree lawn' is the space between the sidewalk and street in front of or alongside your home. It is also known as the village right of way or the parkway. Even if you do not have a sidewalk, all homes have a tree lawn/easement/parkway where we can plant. Note that we can only pay for and plant trees in these areas where a village easement exists. We aim to purchase and plant 20 trees for village residents in the spring of 2023. Trees will be approximately 6' to 12' tall when planted depending on species and availability. Applications will be assessed on a first come first served basis. **Applications for the 2023 planting are due no later than August 15th 2022!**

Once the application deadline is reached, applications will be sent to the Department of Public Works for review and approval or denial. The DPW will review the type of tree requested, its max growth potential, and whether or not it can be planted in your 'tree lawn' without affecting utility lines, sidewalks, roads, other trees etc. A member of the Village Forests Program will reach out to you by the end of October 2022 to inform you of the results. If your application is approved we will coordinate the planting with you for Spring 2023. The Village DPW will contact Miss Dig to mark utility lines and then plant the tree(s) for you. Once planted, you will be responsible for watering and caring for your new tree(s).

Please review the planting regulations and tree options on the next page. Fill out the attached application and drop it off or mail it to the Three Oaks Village Hall. Address below. You may also scan and email the application to VillageForests@gmail.com

Village of Three Oaks
Village Forests Program
21 N. Elm Street
Three Oaks, MI 49128

For questions, concerns, or info on how to donate to the program please email VillageForests@gmail.com

VILLAGE PLANTING REGULATIONS

*No trees other than small, 10' to 25', may be planted under or within 10 lateral feet of overhead utility lines.

Spacing

- Small trees must be planted 30 feet apart
- Medium trees must be planted 40 feet apart
- Large trees must be planted 50 feet apart

Distances

- From street corners- 35 feet
- From fire hydrants- 10 feet
- From curb: small tree- 2 feet, medium tree- 3 feet, (large tree suitability assessed by DPW)

Please review the tree options listed below. Select the species you would like to see planted in your tree lawn and write it on your application.

Small Trees max height - 15' to 25'

Hawthorne
Red Bud
Dogwood

Medium Trees max height - 30' to 40'

Crimson King Maple
Red Oak
Pin Oak

Large Trees max height - 50' to 75'

Burr Oak
Linden
Tulip Tree

Village Forests Program 2023 Application

Please submit this application to the below address (Three Oaks Village Hall) by mail or by dropping off in person. You may also scan and email this application to villageforests@gmail.com Applications for the 2023 planting are due no later than August 15th 2022!

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Home Owner's Name: _____

Property Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____

If you are not the owner of the home you are applying for, include your name, phone number, and email address below

Number of trees requested: _____ (max 2)

Tree species requested: _____

Applicant's SIGNATURE: _____ Date: _____

*Application review may take up to three months. For questions, concerns, or info on how to donate to the program please email VillageForests@gmail.com

Below is for Village office use only

DPW Recommendation:

Planting approved: _____ Planting Denied: _____

DPW SIGNATURE: _____ Date: _____