



What do NeighborWood's TreeStewards do?

TreeStewards play a critical role in the success of NeighborWoods by serving as liaisons between neighborhood residents and TreesCharlotte. TreeStewards help communicate tree care messages and guide residents in tree care and stewardship following a NeighborWoods tree planting event.

TreeStewards also help with our efforts to monitor tree health in neighborhoods. TreeStewards don't need expertise in tree care to serve effectively – they need only a commitment to help communicate between residents and TreesCharlotte and to engage residents in tree care.

TreeSteward Responsibilities

- Provide your name, email and phone number to TreesCharlotte as a TreeSteward.
- Maintain a list (preferably a spreadsheet) of names, physical addresses, and email addresses of residents (households) under your guidance. For larger neighborhoods it may be beneficial to recruit additional TreeStewards.
- Monthly, remind residents via an email message to water and protect newly planted trees. We encourage reminders about protecting trees from mowers, weed whackers, and root compaction.
- Pass along alerts from TreesCharlotte about tree care; watering, banding, disease, etc.
- Answer or bring questions back to TreesCharlotte from residents about tree care. You can refer folks to <http://treescharlotte.org/tree-education-resources/> for tree care info.
- Participate in occasional conference calls about tree care and help TreesCharlotte track tree health and survival rates of trees in your community. Assist TreesCharlotte interns with contacting residents and evaluating tree health and survival.
- Be an advocate for TreesCharlotte and encourage other communities to get involved. Help TreesCharlotte identify other neighborhoods in your area of Charlotte well suited for community planting events.
- Working with other TreeStewards in your neighborhood, monitor the health and tend to trees planted in the common areas (if present) in your neighborhood. TreesCharlotte will provide you with a site plan of the common area trees and will support your efforts.