

# CommunityWoods

Let's build our urban forest



Through our CommunityWoods program, TreesCharlotte partners with neighborhoods, schools, houses of faith, athletic associations and other non-profits to host tree plantings and TreeAdoptions. These organized events are a great way to build camaraderie, beautify your community and add to the city's canopy and health.

## ***Qualifying partners must:***

- Be located within Charlotte city limits
  - Have the ability to plant and/or give away at least 25 trees during the event
  - Have the ability to care for trees post-planting
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## **If we are doing a tree planting...**

1. TreesCharlotte will work with you on a planting plan to ensure the right trees are planted in the right place.
2. In the buildup to the event, we'll work with you on all event and volunteer details.
3. On the day of the planting, we'll auger holes, deliver the trees, and ensure the event runs smoothly under the direction of our TreeMasters. Plantings take 2-3 hours.

## **If we are doing a TreeAdoption..**

1. TreesCharlotte will work with you months in advance to encourage residents to register for up to 3 trees to plant in their yards.
2. On the day of the giveaway, we'll bring trees and mulch. Our TreeMasters will lead residents in a tree planting demonstration.
3. Tree giveaways are often 2 hours or shorter. Participants will be emailed additional tree care information after the event.



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## Our Trees

We love our trees, and we think you will, too!

- We purchase our trees from three different NC growers. All trees are either native or naturalized to the area.
- We'll work with you on appropriate species for your organization's needs.
- The trees are potted in 7-gallon containers and are about 5-10 feet tall at planting.

## Cost

While our trees are free of charge for all CommunityWoods recipients, TreesCharlotte does purchase our trees from various North Carolina growers. Therefore, we appreciate any donations to support TreesCharlotte in covering the cost of trees. Additional donations help us fund planting projects in areas that are not able to donate.

## Why Urban Trees Matter

- Better air quality: One tree can sequester more than one ton of carbon dioxide in its lifetime and trap other harmful air pollutants, keeping our bodies healthier.
- Improved property values: Property values of homes with trees are 5-10% higher than similar properties without trees.
- Reduced stormwater runoff: A single tree can intercept thousands of gallons of rainwater each year, making your neighborhood safer from flooding.
- Cooler urban areas: Trees can cool a city by as much as 10 degrees, creating a more pleasant summer and significant savings on energy bills.
- Good vibes: Studies show being around trees improves our mental health by inviting relaxed, rejuvenating feelings.

## About TreesCharlotte

TreesCharlotte is a public/private nonprofit collaboration to grow, diversify, and steward the city's iconic urban forest. We partner with the city of Charlotte to plant/distribute 5,000-6,000 trees a year within the city limits.

***Learn more about us at [TreesCharlotte.org](https://TreesCharlotte.org)***