

I AM A TREE PARENT

As a homeowner, the trees on your property are one of Charlotte's most valuable resources! You can help through annual tree care, planting trees, creating pollinator-friendly gardens, and helping to raise neighborhood awareness.

To "Get Rooted," check off at least one of the action items below. Use the hyperlinks to find educational resources on each topic to get started.

I pledge to:

Adopt a Tree (or Two!)

Sign up for a TreesCharlotte [TreeAdoption](#) to receive up to two free trees for your yard! If a TreeAdoption isn't an option, you can [purchase your trees](#) all while giving back to TreesCharlotte. Always select native and naturalized trees, and never invasives.

Remove & Replace Invasives

[Invasive trees](#) threaten the ecoregions of North Carolina. Invasive trees include Bradford Pears and Mimosas. Remove any invasive trees on our property, and advocate for your neighbors to do the same. See above on how to replace your old invasive tree with a native or naturalized tree from TreesCharlotte.

Invasive Vine Mitigation

Invasive vines, such as [English Ivy](#), threaten the health and wellbeing of our trees all around Charlotte. While it is almost impossible to completely get rid of invasive vines, [mitigation](#) can prevent them from taking over our trees.

Speak for the Trees

There are many things that each of us can do as motivated citizens to positively affect our local tree canopies. It takes a city of tree advocates, to move the dial on our tree canopy from a net negative to positive. Learn more about how to [speak for the trees](#) in your neighborhood.

Renovate Smartly

Planning on a home renovation or living next to a developing lot? There are simple and effective ways to save trees from construction, including hiring an [ISA certified arborist](#), installing tree fences, and avoiding [tree damage](#). Use the ["Trees are God"](#) Certified Arborist search tool to find your new favorite arborist!



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CommunityWoods

TreesCharlotte partners with qualifying communities such as schools, houses of faith, athletic associations, and non-profit organizations to host tree planting events called CommunityWoods. These organized events can be a great way to build camaraderie, beautify our community and add to the city's canopy. You may live in a community or belong to a community that could use trees!

Aid Pollinators

Flowering trees need pollinators and pollinators need flowers. Our bees, butterflies, and other wild pollinators can use our help in a fast growing urban environment. Creating a pollinator garden in any outdoor space that you have, big or small, supports the health and growth of our urban forest.

Stewardship

Promote the health and survivability of your home and/or neighborhood's trees by stewarding them annually. Stewarding trees can include post-planting care, mature tree care, and train pruning young trees. Check out this video to learn how to properly prune your young trees at home!

Certify

Through The National Wildlife Federation, "anyone can create a welcoming haven for local wildlife. Turning your yard or balcony container garden into a Certified Wildlife Habitat® is fun, easy, and can make a lasting difference for wildlife." Support trees through promoting the health of our urban forest.

Support TreesCharlotte

Your support will help address critical canopy issues, from replacing trees lost to age, storms and development to building tree canopy in under-served communities. As you know, it takes years for a tree to reach its full capacity, which is why we need your help now to restore all that we've lost.

Show Off Your Tree Advocacy!

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