

Free or Discounted Trees for Portland Residents

Goal: To provide a resource that outlines the variety of options so that people are able to plant trees in the way that best works for them.

Option #1: Through Friends of Trees:

Free trees (street and yard) via 4 neighborhood planting events. All street trees planted will receive free watering for 3 years. This is the planting schedule and neighborhoods:

- December 6: East Columbia, Kenton, Piedmont, Portsmouth, St. Johns, Woodlawn
- January 17: Boise-Eliot, Buckman, Humboldt, Kerns, King, Lloyd District
- March 7: Centennial, Glenfair, Hazelwood, Mill Park, Montavilla, Powellhurst-Gilbert
- March 21: Argay Terrace, Parkrose, Parkrose Heights, Russell, Wilkes

Need to sign up 4-5 weeks before the planting date.

Sign up at <https://friendsoftrees.org/>.

Option #2: Free Street Trees (planting strips) through City of Portland:

Neighborhoods: Arbor Lodge, Cathedral Park, Creston-Kenilworth, Foster-Powell, Kenton, Mill Park, Rose City Park, Roseway, Russell, South Tabor, University Park, Wilkes and Woodstock.

Trees will be planted in the public right-of-way planting strip, between the curb and sidewalk. In addition to planting, contractors will water and maintain trees for the following three summers.

This is an 'opt-out' model. City will notify residents when they're planning to plant. There's an option to decline (between 9/15-10/15). Tree List varies by size of strip. Residents can call in to make special requests of species. Free install and 3 years maintenance. Strip has to be 4' wide.

Sign up at <https://www.portland.gov/trees/tree-planting/find-your-free-trees/trees-planting-strips>

Option #3: Free Trees for Front Yards and Along Streets through City of Portland:

Neighborhoods for 2025-2026: Brentwood Darlington, Centennial, Glenfair, Hazelwood, Lents, Powellhurst-Gilbert, Mill Park, Montavilla, Parkrose, Parkrose Heights.

For front yards or along the street (not for backyards). Free install and 3 years of maintenance. City will identify tree type and location.

Sign up by October 31 for planting November through March at <https://www.portland.gov/trees/tree-planting/find-your-free-trees/trees-residential-streets>

Option #4: Free Yard Trees through City of Portland:

3 Free Trees for front, side, or backyard. Cannot be used as street trees (the space between the curb and the side walk). For your homes, places of worship, or businesses

Choose your tree and pick it up at one of our Saturday events from late September through early November. Can request help with delivery and planting. Resident takes care of tree(s).

Sign up at <https://www.portland.gov/trees/tree-planting/find-your-free-trees/trees-your-yard>

Option #5: For Schools

- Up to 12 FREE trees for schools
- Tree planting takes place between **November and March**
- Urban Forestry will:
 - Collaborate with your school to create a tree planting plan
 - Provide all trees and necessary supplies
 - Work with the students to properly plant the trees
 - Organize and train volunteers for planting day
 - Provide three years of tree care, including watering, mulching, and weeding
 - Deliver educational opportunities about trees before planting day
- Learn more and sign up at <https://www.portland.gov/trees/tree-planting/find-your-free-trees/trees-schools>

Option #6: For Apartment Complexes and Businesses (paused for 2025, can sign up for 2026)

For industrial, commercial, and multi-family properties. Planting, watering, and maintenance for the first three years.

Learn more and sign up at <https://www.portland.gov/trees/tree-planting/find-your-free-trees/trees-apartment-complexes-and-businesses>