

Village of Scottsville Forestry Board

Why Street Trees Matter in Scottsville

Have you noticed how much friendlier our village feels when the trees are in full leaf? Street trees do more than just make Scottsville look pretty - they help keep our neighborhoods cooler in the summer, help to absorb traffic noise, and block chilly winds in the winter. Trees give birds and pollinators a place to call home and make our community a more inviting environment for a stroll that enhances our walkable community. Our trees are part of what makes Scottsville such a welcoming place to live.

Fall Is the Perfect Time to Plant

While spring gets all the attention, fall is actually one of the best times to plant new trees. The cooler weather means less stress on newly planted trees and the soil is still warm enough to encourage strong root growth before winter arrives. Generally, there are fewer pests and watering worries this time of year. By planting in the fall, your tree gets a head start and will be ready to take off in the spring.

What I Can Do

We can all participate on the care of our street trees. If you have a young village street tree near your home, helping to water after it's planted and during dry spells can make a big difference. A couple watering cans full of water a few times of week can be a life line for the tree and a game changer for the health and longevity of the tree.

Planting Your Own Tree

Thinking about planting a tree in your own yard this fall? Pick a tree that will fit your space and thrive in our climate. Every tree we plant and care for will add to Scottsville's tree canopy, charm, comfort, and community spirit. Together, we can keep our village shady, green, and beautiful for years to come.

The Forestry Board

We are your neighbors and also board volunteers. We identify tree species and make recommendations where to plant trees along the streets of the Village of Scottsville. We meet at the Village Office on the second Tuesday of every month @ 6:00 PM. Please join us! We are actively looking for new board members. Contact Anne Hartman, Village Clerk to learn more about this opportunity! villageclerk@scottsvilleny.org