



Swampscott Memorial Tree Program

Benefits

In partnership with the Department of Public Works & Forestry Division of the Town of Swampscott, this commemorative program encourages the planting of trees in municipal land to honor a loved one or notable event.

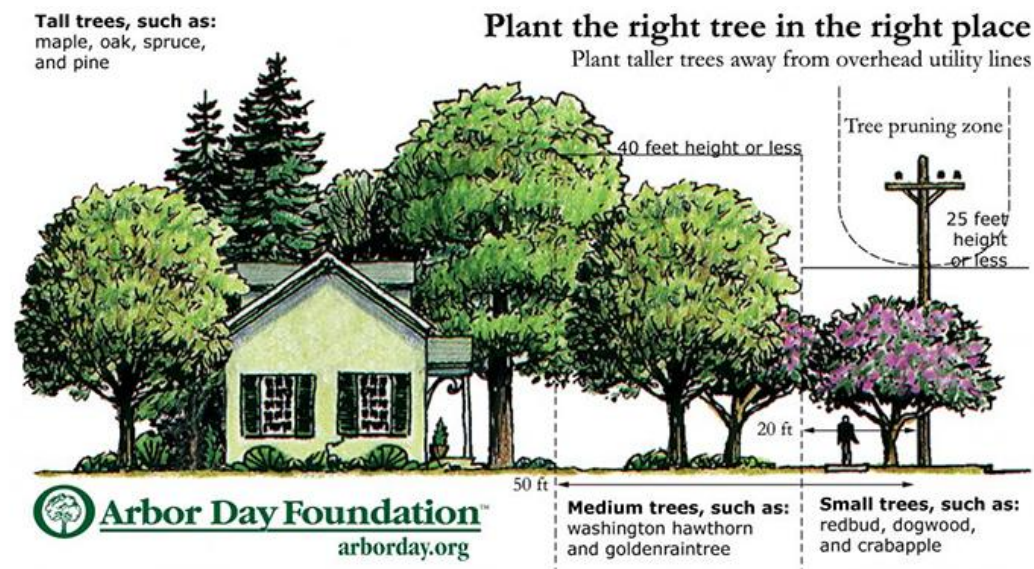
Planting a tree benefits the health and beauty of Swampscott. Your thoughtful gift will be admired for generations to come.

Trees are an emblem of life and death. A cycle of planting, growth, and eventual passing. They benefit communities not only aesthetically but by cleansing the air, mitigating flooding, and providing food and shelter for wildlife. Trees are an indispensable part of our community & landscape.

How to Participate

In return for your tax deductible contribution of \$350 for an ornamental or canopy tree, the town will purchase, plant, stake, mulch, water and maintain this new tree during its normal life. A replacement tree will be provided if the tree is lost within two years.

Process



1. At the discretion of the Forestry Division and Department of Public Works, tree selections and planting locations are chosen based on species and appropriateness for placement. A list of approved tree species and open locations is available. Donors may provide preferred species and locations, if any, on their application and the town will review the availability and feasibility of the choices.

Please view the website below for Approved Street Tree choices in Massachusetts:

<https://masstreewardens.org/wp-content/uploads/Tree-Selection-1.pdf>

2. Trees can be purchased any time; however, planting will only take place in the Spring or Fall. Trees are normally 1.5"-3" in diameter, depending on nursery stock and species.

Find out more:

<https://www.swampscottma.gov/forestry-division>

Department of Public Works 781-596-8860

Swampscott Memorial Tree Program Application Form

Applicant Information

Name: _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Cell: _____

Email: _____

Signature and Date: _____

For a \$350 donation, a 1.5-2" caliper tree will be purchased, planted, staked, mulched, and watered by the town until it is established. You may choose a tree preference from the Department of Conservation and Recreation's (DCR) approved list of trees for Massachusetts and a desired location for the tree, if any. Based on specific location and for an extra cost, a bronze plaque can be installed.

Number of trees	
Species preference (if applicable)	
Preferred location (if applicable)	
Purpose of tree donation (if applicable)	
Interest in bronze plaque (yes / no)	

Please send the completed application to:

Gino Cresta

GCRESTA@SWAMPSCOTTMA.GOV

Mailing Address:

Gino Cresta

The Department of Public Works

22 Monument Avenue

Swampscott, MA 01907

Checks should be made payable to the Town of Swampscott Tree Gift Fund with 'Memorial Tree Donation' written in the memo. The online link for the Tree Gift Fund can be found on the DPW Forestry Division website (<https://www.swampscottma.gov/forestry-division>).