

Tree Rebate Program

City of Lima

From the City of Lima Stormwater Department

Under the guidance of the Urban Forestry Council, the City of Lima is offering the opportunity for residents and businesses to plant trees on their property and throughout the city.

Trees may also be donated to schools, churches, organizations, businesses within city limits, and within city curb lawn areas.

Eligible participants will receive a 50% rebate on the cost of purchasing and planting up to two trees within one calendar year. Planting can be either done independently or by a professional entity.

Program Specifics:

- Planted tree size must be between 1 and 3 inches in diameter.
- Chosen trees must be from the approved list.
- The program runs from March 1 — November 30.
- Funding from the Lima Stormwater Department is limited and distributed on a first come/first served basis.

Rebate Process:

1. Consultation - contact Casey Heilman at the Allen SWCD office to schedule a site visit to decide which trees would best suit your space and functionality requirements.

2. Tree Planting - work with the nursery of your choice to purchase and plant your tree(s).
3. Receipt - send a copy of your receipt to Casey Heilman by November 30 to receive a rebate. Rebates are issued monthly at ASWCD Board meetings.

Planting Considerations:

Trees should be planted at least seven feet from fire hydrants and street lights, driveways and street signs, six feet from underground utility line valves or drain pipes, and 35 feet from the corner curb of street intersections. In addition, the following spacing guidelines generally apply:

Small Species: at least 24 inches from the edge of curb or walk and 10 feet from the nearest tree.

Medium Species: at least 30 inches from the edge of curb or walk and 20 feet from the nearest tree.

Large Species: at least 36 inches from the edge of curb or walk and 30 feet from the nearest tree.

The city is also happy to consider any species selection or streetscape design proposal on a case-by-case basis, even if the proposal deviates from these guidelines.





Large Species

- Over 45 feet tall at maturity.
- Suitable for tree lawns at least seven feet wide, with no overhead utility lines.

Fir*	<i>Abies sp.</i>
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>
Sugar Maple	<i>Acer saccharum</i>
Black Maple	<i>Acer nigrum</i>
Ohio Buckeye*	<i>Aesculus glabra</i>
Yellow Buckeye	<i>Aesculus octandra</i>
Black Alder	<i>Alnus glutinosa</i>
Hackberry	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>
European Beech	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>
Ginkgo (males Only)	<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>
Honeylocust (thornless)	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>
Kentucky Coffee	<i>Gymnocladus dioicus</i>
Sweet Gum	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>
Tulip Tree	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>
Cucumber Magnolia	<i>Magnolia acuminata</i>
Dawn Redwood	<i>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</i>
Black Tupelo (Black Gum)	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>
Spruce*	<i>Picea sp.</i>
Pine*	<i>Pinus sp.</i>
London Plane	<i>Platanus x acerifolia</i>
Douglas Fir*	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>

Sawtooth Oak	<i>Quercus acutissima</i>
White Oak	<i>Quercus alba</i>
Swamp White Oak	<i>Quercus bicolor</i>
Scarlet Oak	<i>Quercus coccinea</i>
Shingle Oak	<i>Quercus imbricaria</i>
Bur Oak	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>
Chinkapin Oak	<i>Quercus muehlenbergii</i>
Willow Oak	<i>Quercus phellos</i>
Chestnut Oak	<i>Quercus prinus</i>
English Oak	<i>Quercus robur</i>
Red Oak	<i>Quercus rubra</i>
Shumard Oak	<i>Quercus shumardii</i>
Black Oak	<i>Quercus velutina</i>
Baldcypress	<i>Taxodium distichum</i>
American Linden	<i>Tilia americana</i>
Littleleaf Linden	<i>Tilia cordata</i>
Crimean Linden	<i>Tilia x euchlora</i>
Silver Linden	<i>Tilia tomentosa</i>
Eastern Hemlock*	<i>Tsuga canadensis</i>
American Princeton Elm	<i>Ulmus americana 'Princeton'</i>
Hybrid Elm	<i>Ulmus x sp.</i>
Japanese Zelkova	<i>Zelkova serrata</i>

Medium Species

- Reaching 30-45 feet at maturity.
- Suitable for tree lawns at least five feet wide, with no low overhead wires.

Miyabe Maple	<i>Acer miyabe</i>
Hedge Maple	<i>Acer campestre</i>
Hybrid Shantung Maple	<i>Acer truncatum x platanoides</i>

Manchurian Alder	<i>Alnus hirsuta</i>
Red Horsechestnut	<i>Aesculus x carnea</i>
River Birch	<i>Betula nigra</i>
European Hornbeam	<i>Carpinus betulus</i>
Katsura Tree	<i>Cercidiphyllum japonicum</i>
American Yellowwood	<i>Cladrastis kentukea</i>
Magnolia Hybrids (tree form)	<i>Magnolia sp.</i>
American Hophornbeam	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>
Sargent Cherry	<i>Prunus sargentii</i>
Zelkova-Wireless	<i>Zelkova serrata 'Schmidtlow'</i>

Small Species

- Reaching 15-30 feet at maturity.
- Suitable for tree lawns at least four feet wide, or with overhead wires.

Trident Maple	<i>Acer buergerianum</i>
Paperbark Maple	<i>Acer griseum</i>
Tatarian Maple	<i>Acer tataricum</i>
Red Buckeye	<i>Aesculus pavia</i>
Serviceberry (tree form)	<i>Amelanchier sp.</i>
Eastern Redbud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>
Lavalle Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus x lavellei</i>
Green Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus viridis 'Winter King'</i>
Amur Maackia	<i>Maackia amurensis</i>
Crabapple	<i>Malus sp.</i>
Persian Parrotia (tree form)	<i>Parrotia persica</i>
Japanese Tree Lilac	<i>Syringa reticulata</i>
Dogwood*	<i>Cornus sp.</i>

The species marked with an asterisk (*) are not suitable for planting in the curb lawn. In general, shrubs and evergreens are prohibited in the right-of-way.

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