

ABOUT

Trees are essential for a healthy Shoreline. They provide a wide range of benefits to our environment, homes, and properties! Last year the City of Shoreline funded a pilot program to give free trees to residents to grow and maintain a healthy urban forest.

In 2022 the City funded a pilot program to give free trees to Shoreline residents to plant at their homes. The pilot complements the existing Green Shoreline Partnership by increasing tree canopy on private property, whereas the Green Shoreline Partnership focuses solely on City parks and forested areas.

During this initial pilot year, only private property owners or renters who received permission from the homeowner could apply. To receive a free tree, individuals had to attend an in-person tree planting and care training and agree to assume all future maintenance and responsibility for their tree to ensure its survival. We offered a variety of native species approved by the City's Urban Forester, which included: vine maple, cascara, excelsa cedar, pacific crabapple, shore pine, and Western red cedar.

When reviewing applications, we used **Tree Equity Score's web tool** to consider environmental, demographic, and health data and prioritize providing trees to the people and neighborhoods that need them most.

Applications for 2023 will be available in July. Visit shorelinewa.gov/communitrees to learn more and sign up for email notifications.

Thank you to everyone who applied, planted a tree, attended a workshop, and ultimately, helped make this pilot program a success! We look forward to continuing and expanding this program to ensure a **#SustainableShoreline** for all.



220+ residents

applied for a tree



Overall, residents planted

119 trees



45% of trees

were planted in areas with the
greatest need



4 volunteers

delivered and planted trees for
residents needing physical
assistance



Participants rated the program

4.5 out of 5 stars

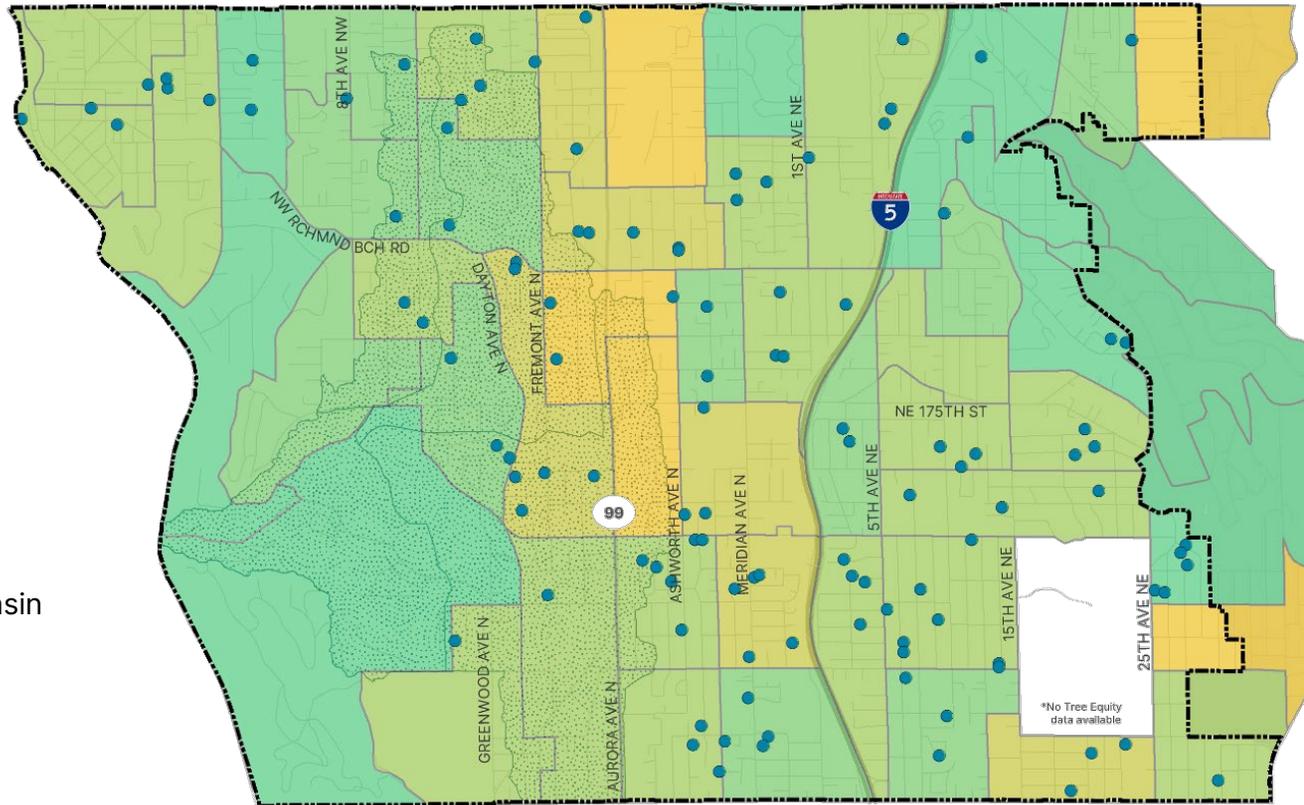
TREE PLANTING LOCATIONS

This map shows where residents planted trees as part of our pilot program (●) and the relative Tree Equity Scores for Shoreline. Environmental, demographic, and health data (e.g., existing tree canopy, income, surface temperature) for each census block are combined into a single score between 0 and 100. A score of 100 means that a neighborhood has achieved Tree Equity. These scores are also visually translated onto the map—the greener an area, the higher its Tree Equity Score.



Tree Equity Score

- 40 – 55
- 56 – 70
- 71 – 80
- 81 – 90
- 91 – 100
- Boeing Creek Basin
- City limits



*Excellent program!
I hope it is repeated.*

*The program is amazing!
I wish that in the future more
people can be made aware of
the great native trees they
can invest in.*

*I really think this is so
valuable and I feel lucky
to have been granted a
tree.*