



Tree plantings have had limited funding in the last few years. We have an active list with over 80 locations with approved tree planting located, but they are dependent on funding. They only planted about a dozen trees in each ward last year.

If you are interested in having a tree planted in a parkway at your own cost:

1. Contact a landscape company who will be planting the tree.
2. Once you decide on the tree, price, and location, the landscape company applies for a planting permit from the Bureau of Forestry. There is no cost for the permit.
3. The city will verify the company has liability insurance and the location nursery from where they are obtaining the tree. This information also triggers a site inspection to insure the tree will not be planted on utilities.
4. Once we have this information we issue the permit and the landscape company can plant the tree.
5. You may be eligible for a rebate. Parkway trees qualify for www.sustainablebackyards.org/ rebate programs.

Residents cannot be issued permits for residents to plant the tree themselves.

Forestry has a recommended list of trees suitable for Chicago: [Click Here](#)

http://www.cityofchicago.org/content/dam/city/depts/streets/supp_info/Forestry/Forestry%202013/Chicago_Urban_Tree_Planting_list_2012.pdf

Permit instructions: [Click Here](#)

http://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/streets/provdrs/forestry/svcs/forestry_permit_informationandapplication.html

Permit application itself: [Click Here](#)

http://www.cityofchicago.org/content/dam/city/depts/streets/supp_info/PermitApplicationforParkwayTreeWork.pdf

If you have any questions, you can contact the Bureau of Forestry at 312-746-5254