

These are the answers you gave to the Benefit of Trees section of the Summit. The black lettering is the answers projected on the screen. The blue lettering is additional answers taken from the table notes. We've tried to capture all of your ideas.

How do trees in your yard benefit you?

- Sound mitigation
- Shade
- Take up CO₂, produce O₂
- Pleasure
- Bird habitat/nesting
- Wildlife viewing
- Increased Property value
- Clean air/water
- Building materials
- Seasonal beauty
- Aesthetic value
- Bee habitat, wildlife habitat
- Sense of place and history
- Spiritual value, soothing
- Soil stability
- Privacy
- Groundwater
- Sound of the trees
- Visual screen of neighboring homes/ privacy
- Storm water mitigation
- Cooling (transpiration)
- Food production (nuts and fruits)
- Trees mark time as they grow
- Trees protect each other
- Inspiration
- Wind breaks

How do trees benefit your neighborhood?

- Sense of awe
- Contribution to canopy
- History
- Birds stay longer/ continuity of wildlife habitat
- Promotes human activity outdoors
- Decorations and celebration
- Unique aesthetic identity
- Wildness
- Character, oaks
- Urban forest
- Soil health
- Improved ecological benefit
- Collective/greater noise mitigation
- Clean the air

- Flood prevention
- Traffic calming
- Stormwater mitigation (40% of rainfall that hits a tree never hits the ground)
- Cool summer walks
- Biodiversity in urban ecosystem
- Less sterile urban aesthetic
- Neighborhood feels more cohesive and welcoming
- Interaction between neighboring trees strengthens urban forest
- Canopy reduces heat island effect
- Seasonal changes
- Healthy soil
- Sense of community

How do trees benefit our city?

- Sense of place and belonging
- Reputation as city of trees
- Climate change - carbon sequestration
- Enjoyment of living here
- Protecting watershed, managing stormwater
- Carbon sequestration and storage
- Consciousness raising
- Value and city identity
- Kids love trees
- Environmental education opportunities
- Crime reduction
- Urban stress reduction
- Reduces summer temperature
- Identifying with history
- Oxygen production - healthy air
- Safe connection, inclusion
- General sense of well-being
- Collective sense of gratitude
- More inviting
- Informs development
- Protection against warming climate
- Brings people together
- People want to live here
- Increased property values