

Beaumont-Wilshire Tree Inventory and Tree Plan

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Gold rush dawn redwood
Metasequoia glyptostroboides 'Ogon'



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How you can help

Join the Beaumont-Wilshire Tree Team!

Take a leadership role and help us to achieve our goals, plan tree events and advocate for tree planting and maintenance in Beaumont-Wilshire. Contact us for more information.

Plant

Call PP&R Urban Forestry for your free permit, and partner with Friends of Trees during their annual planting for the best deal. For details, visit www.friendsoftrees.org.

Water

Water your young trees. Newly planted trees need 15-20 gallons of water each week during the dry spring and summer months for three years after planting.

Mulch

Add mulch to the base of street trees each year. Apply a 3" depth in a 3' radius around the tree. Make sure to keep mulch and soil away from direct contact with the trunk, as it can result in disease and decay of the tree.

Maintain Trees Throughout Their Lifecycle

Trees need occasional pruning to remove dead wood, provide clearance for sidewalks and streets, and to promote good form. Not sure how to prune? Contact PP&R Urban Forestry for your free permit or the Tree Team for guidance.

Replace Your Dead or Dying Street Trees

Keep our urban forest growing by replacing dead trees with young healthy trees. Contact the Tree Team for help or questions.

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Portland Parks & Recreation Urban Forestry

www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/trees

503-823-TREE (8733)

Friends of Trees

www.friendsoftrees.org

503-282-8846

Beaumont-Wilshire Neighborhood Association

bwna.us

Meetings are 2nd Monday of even numbered months, except August at Bethany Lutheran Church, 4330 NE 37th Ave.

Download the complete map and report

www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/treeinventory



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Street Tree Inventory Findings

Why Street Trees?

Street trees are a valuable asset to the community. Beyond aesthetic benefits, street trees improve air and water quality, provide shade, increase property value, and contribute to the safety and livability of the neighborhood.

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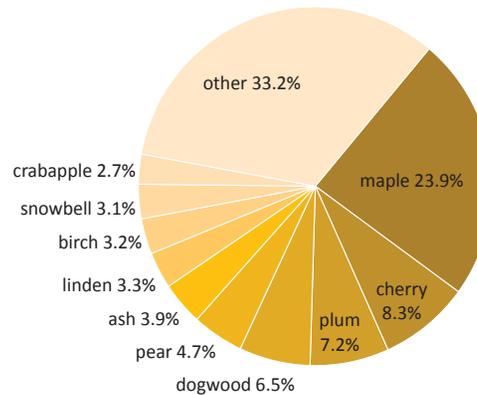
In 2016, the Beaumont-Wilshire Tree Team worked with PP&R Urban Forestry to conduct an inventory of all street trees in our neighborhood. After analyzing the results, the Beaumont-Wilshire Tree Team created a vision statement, set goals, and identified objectives that will improve the health of our neighborhood's urban forest. The Tree Plan will guide stewardship activities for street trees.

The Beaumont-Wilshire Tree Plan is part of a citywide effort to improve Portland's urban canopy. Together, the neighborhood plans will protect our existing trees and will create a resilient and thriving urban canopy.

Many thanks to the neighbors who have already helped shape the inventory and our neighborhood canopy.



Most Common Street Trees in Beaumont-Wilshire



Inventory Findings

- Beaumont-Wilshire has 3,744 street trees of 105 types. The neighborhood's street tree population is dominated by maple, cherry, plum, and dogwood, and does not meet recommended species diversity guidelines. Only a small percentage are regional native species.
- Only 15% of street trees in Beaumont-Wilshire are large form varieties, and less than a quarter of large planting sites contain trees large enough for the site. Large form trees provide many times more benefits over their lives than small form trees.
- There are many young trees in the neighborhood, which will create a healthier age distribution in the future. It also presents an opportunity for inexpensive young tree maintenance activities.
- 73% of all street tree planting spaces are currently stocked with trees, however, more than 1,080 sites have been identified for planting.
- The replacement cost of the street tree population is valued at \$10.2 million, and Beaumont-Wilshire's street trees provide \$535,000 annually in environmental services and aesthetic benefits.

Beaumont-Wilshire Tree Plan

VISION STATEMENT

Our community will maintain, protect and expand a sustainable, healthy and attractive urban forest to pass on to future generations.

GOALS

1. Maximize use of planting opportunities, with initial focus on high priority spaces.
2. Increase the street tree population and coverage, encouraging large-form, native, environmentally beneficial, attractive and disease- and drought-resistant species.
3. Encourage retention of landmark, large-form and other high-value trees.
4. Reduce population of invasive species.
5. Reduce mortality of newly planted trees.
6. Shape maturing trees to establish good structure and clearances; prune mature trees to reduce hazards and correct for damage.
7. Encourage replanting of dead trees and timely replacement of trees in poor condition.
8. Increase awareness of the urban forest.
9. Provide opportunities for the community to learn about tree selection, planting and care.
10. Provide opportunities to participate in the care and expansion of the urban forest.

SHORT-TERM OBJECTIVES

1. Hold a pruning workshop & pruning workday.
2. Hold a "Walk & Talk" education event.
3. Work with Friends of Trees, Bureau of Environmental Services and other planting partners to field a drought season watering squad for at-risk young trees.
4. Establish a low-cost source of water buckets or bags and mulch.
5. Connect with Friends of Trees regarding neighborhood planting days.
6. Provide an annual presentation of status and plans to the neighborhood association.
7. Produce and distribute a homeowner information package on tree care.
8. Provide volunteer assistance for minor pruning.
9. Provide a booth at the annual Fremont Fest.