Our mission is to provide community officials and allied agencies with the organizational and technical assistance to effectively manage the trees and land within their communities.

◊ Program Administrator

◊ Six Regional Urban Foresters
  1. Lisa Bowers
  2. Ann Bonner
  3. Alan Siewert
  4. Stephanie Miller
  5. Wendi Van Buren
  6. Lola Lewis

◊ 14 to 19 counties each
DIRECT ASSISTANCE

◊ Provide 1-on-1 assistance to enhance and expand community tree care programs

◊ Includes a broad range of services:
  ◊ Management planning
  ◊ Tree risk assessment
  ◊ Tree commission establishment and guidance
  ◊ Ordinance development and revision
  ◊ Urban Site Index & Master Planting Design
  ◊ Contract and specification development
Urban Forestry Toolbox

With over 100 years of combined experience, Ohio’s Urban Foresters have collected and developed many resources for local communities. Our Urban Forestry Toolbox has ready-to-use and sample documents, articles, web links, videos, and much more.

Popular Items
- Ohio USI with Key [xls]
- Master Planting Design Tree List [xls]
- Master Planting Design Overview [pdf]
- Four Faces of a Tree Decision [pdf]
- Sample Planting Specs [doc]

All topics are listed below. Looking for something more? Contact your Regional Urban Forester.
Basic urban forestry & arboriculture

Series of 4 classes (Freshman through Senior)

12½ hours of class time & training per class

Culminates in beginning community Urban Forest Management Plan

Innovation in Education Award
2019 Deployment

- City of Dayton, Wright Patt.AFB, and City of Beavercreek
- Tree Risk Assessments
  - FEMA & ISA Standards
- Goals: Increase public safety, reduce loss of urban tree canopy, and document recovery needs
- Seven, 2-Person Crews
  - Nine Communities, ODNR, USFS, & Ohio State University
HARRISON TOWNSHIP’S
SINCLAIR PARK

• Spring Planting Rescheduled Oct. 10th
  • Funded by Keep Ohio Beautiful → $6,000
  • Volunteers organized by the Leadership Dayton Team
  • 60 trees planned for event

• Management plan development
  • Service Forester Justin Law
  • honeysuckle and tree-of-heaven control
**Beavercreek**

- Assisted city and tree commission with Arbor Day Foundation (ADF) Community Tree Recovery proposal
- The Beavercreek Wetlands Association plans to host a distribution of 500 trees
  - FedEx funding $25/tree
Wright Patterson Air Force Base

• Received $30,000 ADF tree planting grant
  • Planting 100 trees → Prairie Housing Development
  • Planned for spring, rescheduled for October 15th
  • Volunteers from ADF donor and neighborhood

• Arbor Day at Wright Brothers Memorial
  • 30 trees with Fairborn Students
  • Rescheduled for fall

• WPAFB Earth Day at Huffman Prairie
  • Honeysuckle removal and tree planting
  • Rescheduled for next spring
How We Can Help

- Review Community Needs & Resources
- Recovery Plan Development
  - Invasive control
  - Planting planning
  - Pre-event contract development
  - Debris management planning
  - Tree risk management
- Tree Commission Academy
- Urban Forest Strike Team
- ODNR Service Foresters
- Other ODNR Resources

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