

PROGRAM YEAR 2022

APPLICATION FORM

CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTHY URBAN TREE CANOPY PROGRAM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT:

APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

PROJECT NAME:

PROJECT TYPE

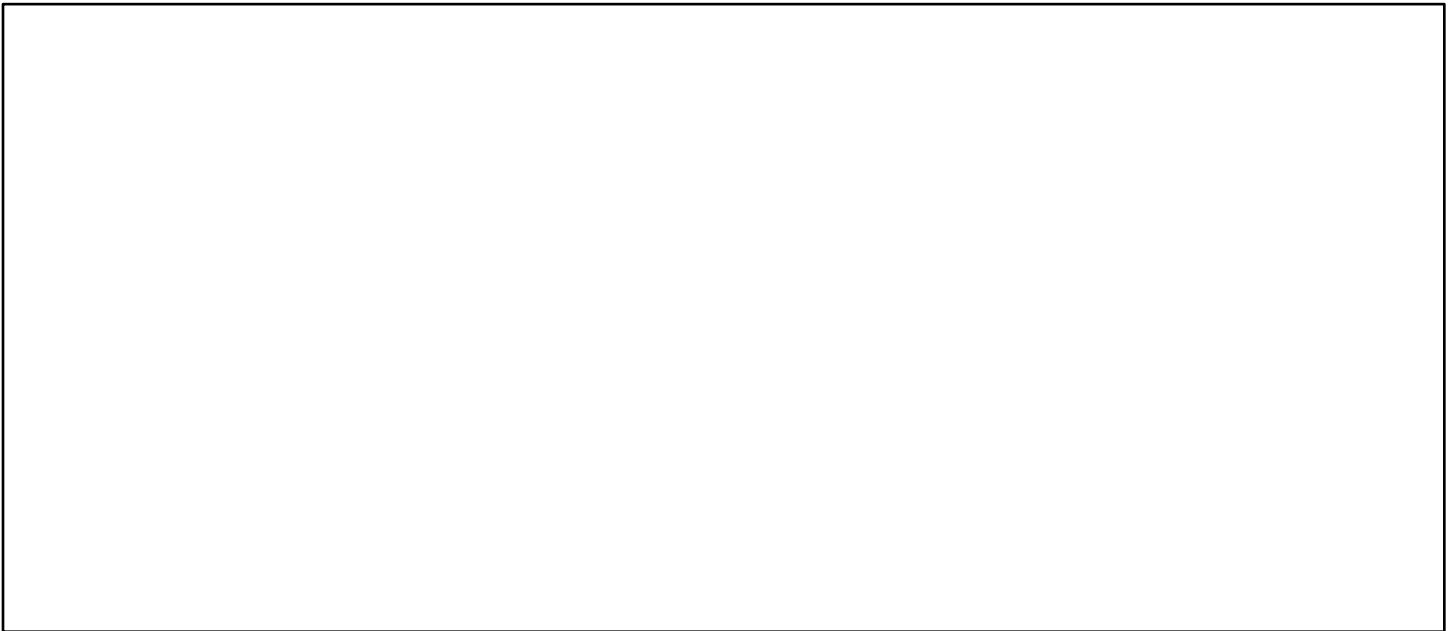
- Tree Planting
- Planning and Tree Planting
- High Impact Reforestation Project

Please complete the sections of the Application completely and accurately, but succinctly. Attach reports, plans and maps as needed to explain the project.

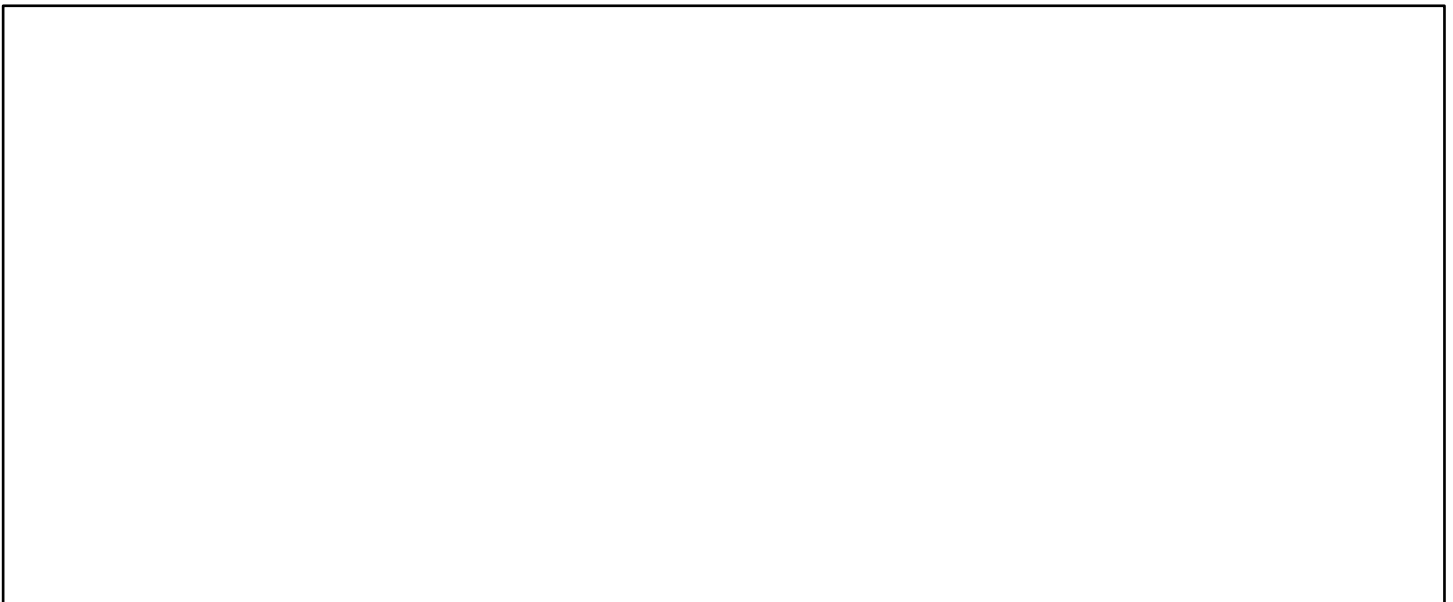
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Describe the project need and the current conditions. If the project is part of a phased plan or project, briefly explain the larger plan or project and the specific phase that is included in the application. (Limit 500 characters) Provide a map and photos that identifies the project location, as specifically as possible at the time of application.

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2. Describe your organization's or community's urban tree canopy goals and how this project will meet those goals, and mitigate the problems described in #1 (Limit 500 Characters). For High Impact Reforestation Project (>5 acres of contiguous land) applications provide a conceptual plan map.



PROJECT EXPENSES

See page 10 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

Include an itemized estimate of project expenses for all improvements using the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy Project Expenses Worksheet. Please note that the total cost should encompass both the requested grant funds and the required local match amount. The itemized estimate should specify all costs. **Reimbursement of project costs will not occur for items not listed in the cost estimate.** See the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy Budget Worksheet in Appendix A.

LOCAL MATCH – Maximum 5 Points

See pages 6 and 10 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

Projects will be awarded points for Local Match based on the amount of the project match provided by the Applicant. There is a required match for projects awarded grant funding. The percentage of match is dependent upon the following:

- Municipalities, Townships, School Districts, and Library Districts shall provide a minimum match of ten percent (10%) of the project cost.
- Community Development Corporations, and Non-Profit Corporations with less than \$5,000,000 in assets as most recently reported to the State of Ohio shall provide a minimum match of ten percent (10%) of the project cost; and
- Non-Profit Corporations with \$5,000,000 or more in assets as most recently reported to the State of Ohio, and any other eligible applicant shall provide a minimum match of fifty percent (50%) of the project cost

Specify all sources for the local match and provide a breakdown of the local match in the Cuyahoga County Urban Tree Canopy Project Expenses Worksheet in Appendix A. Attach a certification of local funds.

READINESS TO PROCEED – Maximum 10 Points

See page 10 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

Readiness to Proceed points will be based on the project timeline and past award performance will be taken into consideration. Indicate whether you have been a recipient of a Healthy Urban Tree Canopy Grant in a prior year and if you completed and closed out the project(s):

- Yes, we received an award in Program Year _____ and have completed all tasks.
- Yes, we received an award in Program Year _____ and we are still completing tasks
- No, we have not received an award in previous Program Years

All Grant Applicants must make a twelve (12) to (18) month commitment from the date of the Project Agreement to complete all major tasks as submitted in the application. Provide a project schedule that lists all major tasks, with start and end dates listed by month/day/year.

HEALTHY URBAN TREE CANOPY PROJECT SCHEDULE

Proposed Start Date		Proposed End Date	
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DATES	ACTIVITY
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URBAN FORESTRY INITIATIVES – Maximum 10 Points

See pages 10 and 11 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

1. CHECK ALL BOXES THAT REFLECTS THE URBAN FORESTRY HISTORY OF THE PROJECT LOCATION.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Government/Program Location has local tree ordinances. (2 Points)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Government/Program Location has committed to Tree City USA. (1 Points)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Government/Program Location has a tree commission. (1 Points)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Government/Program Location has an on-going tree program. (1 Points)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Government/Program performs routine maintenance and periodic repairs required to maintain tree integrity. (1 Points)
2. LIST ANY LOCAL STANDARDS OR ORDINANCES APPLICABLE TO THE PROJECT THAT CONSERVE EXISTING TREE CANOPY AND DATE OF ADOPTION. PROVIDE LINKS TO THE LISTED STANDARDS AND ORDINANCES.	
3. DESCRIBE THE NEED FOR THE FUNDING REQUEST. WHAT OTHER FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE WITHIN THE APPLICANT’S ORGANIZATION FOR PROJECTS FOCUSED ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND/OR THE UTILIZATION AND PRESERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES? (MAXIMUM 4 POINTS)	

QUALIFIED PERSONNEL – Maximum 10 Points

See page 11 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

Provide the qualifications that apply for the known personnel working on your project. List all project personnel and include their areas of expertise, qualifications, and their roles in the project. If grant money will be used to contract a forester, please include an SOQ for your forester.

1. PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE PROJECT. UNDER "QUALIFICATIONS", INDICATE THE ASSIGNED NUMBER AS APPROPRIATE.	
1	Certified Arborist (2 Points)
2	Tree Risk Assessment Qualification (TRAQ) (2 Points)
3	Completed the Tree Commissions Academy and has obtained a bachelors certificate through the ODNR Division of Forestry (2 Points)
4	Four-year degree in urban forestry or related field of study. Landscape Architecture, natural resources, or environmental science is not considered a related field of study. Local Government/Program Location has an on-going tree program. (2 Points)
5	Qualified personnel will be on-site on a consistent basis. (2 Points)

PERSONNEL	ROLE	QUALIFICATIONS

Attach Statement of Qualifications of dedicated Personnel to the application.

PLANTING PLANS – Maximum 15 Points

See page 11 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

1. CHECK THE BOX THAT BEST REFLECTS THE NATURE OF THE PROJECT.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	High impact reforestation project > 5 acres.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community reforestation projects < 5 acres
<input type="checkbox"/>	Planting in vacant lots or open parcels
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stocking trees for a tree nursery
<input type="checkbox"/>	Removing and Replacing Street Trees
<input type="checkbox"/>	Routine maintenance and periodic repairs required to maintain canopy integrity.
BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE PLANTING PLAN AND SCOPE. INCLUDE THE SIZE AND SCOPE OF THE PROJECT AND HOW MANY TREES YOU INTEND TO PLANT	
PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC INFORMATION RELEVANT TO THE PROJECT, e.g. PLANS OR POLICY DEVELOPMENT, DIVERSITY OF SPECIES, NEW TREE GUARANTEES, ETC. ATTACH DOCUMENTS OR PROVIDE LINKS TO CURRENT PLANS.	

MAINTENANCE AND SURVIVABILITY PLANS – Maximum 15 Points

See page 11 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

Provide a link or attach a maintenance plan that is environmentally and species appropriate.

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE METHODS, STRATEGIES, AND FREQUENCY FOR THE FOLLOWING MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES OVER A THREE-YEAR TIMEFRAME. PLEASE INLCUDE LINKS TO OR ATTACH A PLANTING AND MAINTENANCE PLAN AS OUTLINED IN THE PROJECT AGREEMENT.	
	WATERING: What methods will be used to water new trees? How often? What criteria will be used to determine how much water? Will watering application change over the next three years?
	MULCH: What kind of mulch will be used? How often will it be renewed? Will you agree to follow proper mulching guidelines as provided by the Arbor Day Foundation ?
	PRUNING: What types of pruning are required for your project? Does an established pruning cycle already exist in your municipality?
	STAKING: Will staking be needed? What staking materials be used? If trees are staked , when will staking materials be removed?
	OTHER: Please provide any other details for maintenance activities that may be necessary for best establishment at the project location, e.g. weeding, protection from animal browse and/or weather damage (wind, snow, etc.).

CLIMATE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT – Maximum 10 Points

See page 12 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

In the table below provide the census block groups where the project area is located, as specifically as possible at the time of application, and the Composite Vulnerability Score

EQUITY ZONES – Maximum 5 Points

See page 13 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

In the table below provide the census block groups where the project area is located, as specifically as possible at the time of application, and the Equity Zones score.

TREE CANOPY – Maximum 15 Points

See page 14 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

In the table below provide the census block groups where the project area is located, the percentage of tree canopy and the associated score.

Determine the Census Block Groups and the scores for Vulnerability Assessment, Equity Zones, and Tree Canopy using the Healthy Urban Tree Canopy viewer available on the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission website at <http://arcg.is/1qqOCH>

CENSUS BLOCK GROUP	COMPOSITE VULNERABILITY SCORE	EQUITY ZONE SCORE	PERCENT TREE CANOPY	PERCENT TREE CANOPY SCORE

PARTNERSHIPS, INNOVATION AND OTHER FACTORS – Maximum 5 Points

See page 15 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

DESCRIBE THE DESIRED URBAN TREE CANOPY GOALS AND OUTCOMES AND EXPLAIN ANY INNOVATIONS AND/OR OTHER FACTORS THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE GROWTH OF HEALTHY URBAN TREE CANOPY .

List the agencies and organizations that will participate in this project. Attach any letters of support and/or resolutions of support. If applicable, include legislation authorizing this application.

PROJECT PARTNERS	
ORGANIZATION	ROLE

TREE MYCORRHIZAE INOCULATION RESEARCH PROJECT

See page 15 in the Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy PY 2022 Applicant Manual.

Indicate if you are interested in voluntarily participating in the Tree Mycorrhizae Inoculation Research Project. The aim of this research is to see if the inoculation with soil containing mycorrhizae improves tree growth and survivability. There is no cost to doing this and the process is quick and simple. See page The voluntary participation increases the value of this research project.

If this project is awarded Healthy Urban Tree Canopy Funds, the DOPWIC will offer a loan in the amount requested as a grant. Please check one.

- Yes, if this application is successful on obtaining grant money, we will participate in the Tree Mycorrhizae Inoculation Research Project.
- No, not interested in participating in the participate in the Tree Mycorrhizae Inoculation Research Project.
- Not applicable.