

## **Lower Platte South Natural Resources District's (LPSNRD) Landscape Tree Cost-Share Applicant Checklist:**

- Step 1: Double Check to make sure the tree will be planted in LPSNRD.
- Step 2: Determine what tree you (the Applicant) would like to plant.
  - Check whether the species is on the approved list provided by LPSNRD.
    - The LPSNRD Forester is available for consultation.
- Step 3: Shop....
  - Applicants will shop around to find their species of choice.
  - LPSNRD Forester can help in recommending a nursery close to home.
  - Procure a written bid from nursery, with price, prior to buying.
- Step 4: Apply....
  - Fill out the LPSNRD Landscape Tree Cost-Share Program application form.
    - All information must be accurate, and Applicant must provide:
      - Address where tree will be planted.
      - Detailed map of exact location of tree planting.
        - The more pictures the better, to see all directions and that the area is ideal for planting.
      - Receipt from 811-Digger's Hotline confirming planting site has been marked.
      - Bid from nursery for the tree.
    - Submit all information to LPSNRD Forester, preferably via email.
- Step 5: Inspection and Approval...
  - LPSNRD Forester will review the application.
    - Forester will alert Applicant of application submission.
    - Forester then reviews application.
      - Forester will contact Applicant for any additional information needed.
    - If needed, Forester will visit the site to insure it is ideal for the tree.
    - Forester approves application, submits it to General Manager for final approval.
    - General Manager approves.
- Step 6: Purchase tree, plant tree and request cost-sharing.
  - With Applicant approved, they will go purchase tree.
  - Tree will then be planted.
    - Applicant is responsible for tree planting.
    - LPSNRD does not cost-share on planting.
  - Send request to LPSNRD Forester for cost-sharing reimbursement.
    - Forester will inspect tree & planting.
  - Forester will submit request for accounting to issue reimbursement.

## Lower Platte South Natural Resources District's (LPSNRD) Landscape Tree Cost-Share Rules:

The Lower Platte South Natural Resources District ("District") has budgeted funds for the purpose of sharing the total cost of trees for the good of the urban forest. Below are program rules and District administering guidelines.

- Applications will be considered in order (Based on the submission date).
- Maximum of 1 tree per applicant AND location per year.
- Applications will be considered until available funds are expended.
  - Maximum of 85 approved applicants per year.
- Applications will be reviewed by the District Forester and approved by the General Manager.
- Applicants give permission for District Forester to visit site to inspect planting area and planted tree.
- Tree planting location must be within the District. [See map.](#)
  - Can be planted on rights-of-way, common areas, etc., with proper approval.
  - Can be on private ground, both residential & commercial.
  - Land cannot be owned by the United States government, the State of Nebraska, and/or any division of government of the State of Nebraska (i.e. county, city, local government).
- The address of tree planting must be accurate with:
  - Detailed map of exact location of future tree placement.
  - Pictures of tree placement location.
- Confirmation of request for tree planting, via email receipt, from Digger's Hotline, 811.
  - Applicants are required to call Digger's Hotline (811) prior to any planting.
- No shrubs, grass, flowers or orchard trees.
  - Species not recommended for the program will NOT be approved. See list.
- Standard landscape size 1 ½" stock (1" – 1 ¾") for deciduous trees and 4 – 5' for conifer trees is the recommended size. Root maker bag trees 3 gallon to 15-gallon trees are encouraged as well. All trees must be guaranteed for 1 year.
- District will provide technical expertise for tree planting location, tree selection, proper planting and maintenance.
- Cost-Share will be 75% of the cost of the tree, with a maximum of \$115.
- No cost-sharing will be provided for nursery planting.
  - Applicant can plant tree themselves.
  - Nursery can plant, but Applicant is responsible for nursery planting cost.
- Applicants will be provided with the Landscape Tree Cost-Share Program checklist.
- Applicants must sign and date their application prior to planting.
- After planting, Applicants will provide District confirmation of tree planting via email receipt from nursery and pictures of planted tree.

Approved Species - LPSNRD Landscape Tree Program

<b>Species</b>	<b>Height</b>	<b>Spread</b>	<b>Note</b>
Baldcypress	50	30	
River Birch	50	40	
Catalpa	50	35	
Kentucky Coffeetree	50	40	
Cottonwood, Native	80	60	
Elm spp. mis	50	40	Disease resistant varieties available.
Ginkgo	45	35	Males only
Hackberry	50	50	
Hickory spp.	40	40	Native Species only
Oak spp.	50	40	Prioritize native species
Pecan	50	50	
Sycamore	80	50	
Tulip Tree	50	40	
Black Walnut	60	45	
Yellow Buckeye	40	30	
Black Cherry	35	20	
Goldenrain Tree	35	25	
Horsechestnut	60	40	
Persimmon	30	20	
Yellowwood	25	20	
Chestnut spp.	25	25	Disease resistant varieties available.
Flowering Crabapple	20	15	Several varieties available.
Hophornbeam	20	15	
Redbud	20	15	
Serviceberry	15	15	
Douglasfir	50	30	
Concolor Fir	50	25	
Eastern White Pine	70	40	
Ponderosa Pine	65	30	
Red Pine	40	30	
Southwestern White Pine	35	20	
Black Hills Spruce	50	30	
Norway Spruce	70	40	
White Spruce	50	30	