



ECONOMICS OF URBAN FORESTRY IN ILLINOIS

Trees have a tremendous impact on local economies and our quality-of-life. **Here's a peek at how urban trees in your state are contributing.**



24,892 people are employed as a result of urban forestry activities in Illinois.



Urban trees in the state contribute **\$1.2 billion** in community-wide environmental benefits each year, such as carbon sequestration, air pollution removal, and avoided stormwater runoff.



Communities in Illinois enrolled in Tree City USA® invested an average of **\$12.19 per resident** for tree planting and care compared to **\$3.00 per resident** in non-participating communities nationally.



The urban forestry sector in Illinois has an annual sales and employment footprint worth **\$3.6 billion**.



Tree cover at private homes adds **\$560 million** annually to property values across Illinois.