ECONOMICS OF URBAN FORESTRY IN VIRGINIA

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.

14,939 people are employed as a result of urban forestry activities in Virginia.

Communities in Virginia enrolled in Tree City USA® invested an average of $5.98 per resident for tree planting and care compared to $3.00 per resident in non-participating communities nationally.

Urban trees in the state contribute $3.9 billion in community-wide environmental benefits each year, such as carbon sequestration, air pollution removal, and avoided stormwater runoff.

The urban forestry sector in Virginia has an annual sales and employment footprint worth $1.7 billion.

Tree cover at private homes adds $1.4 billion annually to property values across Virginia.