



Heritage Tree Preservation Grant Application

Heritage Trees

The City of Lake Oswego's Heritage Tree Program fosters appreciation and increases awareness about the contribution of trees to the City's history and heritage by recognizing and designating individual trees or groves of landmark importance, educating the public about the value and history of these trees, promoting appreciation of these trees, and retaining and protecting these trees as part of the City's heritage. Since the Program was established in 1997, 40 trees and groups of trees have been designated Heritage Trees across the City, including 26 trees located on private properties and 14 trees located on public properties including public rights of way and City-owned parks. To support the long-term preservation of designated Heritage Trees, the City is offering grants to assist Heritage Tree property owners with costs of tree care and maintenance services performed by qualified tree service companies.

Grant Eligibility

Property owners of designated Lake Oswego Heritage Trees are eligible to apply for a tree preservation grant at any time. The application form must be signed and submitted by the property owner where the tree is physically located. The City, at its sole discretion, will determine if the application is suitable for funding and may reimburse property owners up to 50% of the tree care costs associated with each application. The City reserves the right to solicit proposals from alternative tree service companies and grant agreements shall dictate the approved vendor, tasks, reimbursable amount, and timelines to complete the approved tasks.

Use of Funds

Heritage Tree preservation grant funding shall be used to diagnose, treat, manage and care for the long-term viability of designated Heritage Trees. Examples of tree care services that may be eligible for funding include: insect and disease diagnosis and treatments; Advanced Tree Risk Assessment, such as aerial inspections, resistance-recording drilling or sonic tomography to assess internal defects, and root-crown excavation; soil testing and root invigoration treatments; and, storm damage assessments and safety pruning.

How to Apply

Preference will be given to proposals that demonstrate the need for diagnosis and treatment, are cost effective, and feasible. Applicants must complete the enclosed form and obtain at least one detailed proposal from a qualified tree care specialist that is licensed, bonded, insured, and managed by an International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborist, who is also Tree Risk Assessment Qualified. Submit your application form and proposal(s) to:

Planning Department
Attn: Contract Arborist
planning@lakeoswego.city
City of Lake Oswego
380 A Avenue / PO BOX 369
Lake Oswego OR 97034

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Property Owner:

Name

Address

Phone Number

E-mail Address

Signature of Property Owner

Heritage Tree:

Species

Diameter

Describe Physical Location

Describe issues and management needs:

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Summary of Proposed Expenditures:

Task Description	Line-Item Cost	Vendor
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
TOTAL COST		

The City may seek additional proposals from different vendors. Signed grant agreements will specify the terms and conditions of funding, if awarded, and may require a specific vendor be used. Property owners are responsible for signed contracts with vendors and payment in full at the time of service. Grant recipients will then be eligible for reimbursement up to 50% of the costs for some or all of the proposed services in accordance with signed grant agreements.

Describe Proposed Schedule for Services:

Required Attachments:

- One or more detailed bids** from Qualified Tree Service providers who are licensed, bonded, insured, and managed by an International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborist, who is also Tree Risk Assessment Qualified. The City of Lake Oswego encourages the use of firms registered with the Oregon Certification Office for Business Inclusion and Diversity (COBID), found here: <https://www.oregon.gov/biz/programs/COBID/Pages/default.aspx>.
- Photographs** depicting tree defects or issues warranting assessment or treatment.