

Caring Projects

\$1,402,137

Urban Forest Stewardship in Austin Texas
2015-2020



Development CITY OF AUSTIN
SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Urban Forest Program Mission

Enhancing Austin's quality of life by fostering a healthy urban forest for all.

Care Goal

Support urban forest health by promoting best practices for tree care.



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Caring Project: Austin Parkland Tree Projects Tree Care Activities

2020 AWARD
\$97,321

IMPACT
Austin Parks Foundation facilitated 112 volunteer projects across multiple parks and green spaces. Projects included educational opportunities and mulch for trees.

<https://austinparks.org/>

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
Austin Parks Foundation



Caring Project:

AISD PECAN SPRINGS ELEMENTARY IRRIGATION Tree Care

2020 AWARD

\$6,670

IMPACT

Installed irrigation system for
15 trees planted on the Pecan
Springs Elementary campus.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

Austin Independent School
District



Caring Project: WALNUT CREEK LIGUSTRUM CLEARING Tree Care

2020 AWARD
\$3,300

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
Keep Walnut Creek Wild
engaged volunteers to girdle
hundreds of invasive ligustrum
trees in Walnut Creek Park.

LEAD APPLICANT
Keep Walnut Creek Wild



Caring Project:

AUCTION OAKS REVITALIZATION PROJECT

Tree Care

2020 AWARD
\$ 2,058

IMPACT
A tree assessment was performed for the Auction Oaks Revitalization Project.

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
Downtown Austin Alliance Foundation



Caring Project:

Tree Trail

Tree Care

2020 AWARD

\$3,000.00

IMPACT

Bright Green Future Grants is a competitive program that provides funding for school-based sustainability projects up to \$3,000. An elementary school partnered with Austin Nature and Science Center to create a "tree trail" using graphics and English and Spanish text they designed for their site.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

City of Austin Office of Sustainability

RECIPIENT

Austin Independent School District



Caring Project: EXOTIC PLANT MAPPING & TREATMENT Tree Care

2020 AWARD

\$50,250.00

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Surveyed and treated invasives species on the Kent Butler BCP property.

LEAD APPLICANT

City of Austin Water Utility



Caring Project: CIRCLE ACRES URBAN FOREST RESTORATION Tree Care

2020 AWARD

\$12,658.00

FUNDING SOURCE

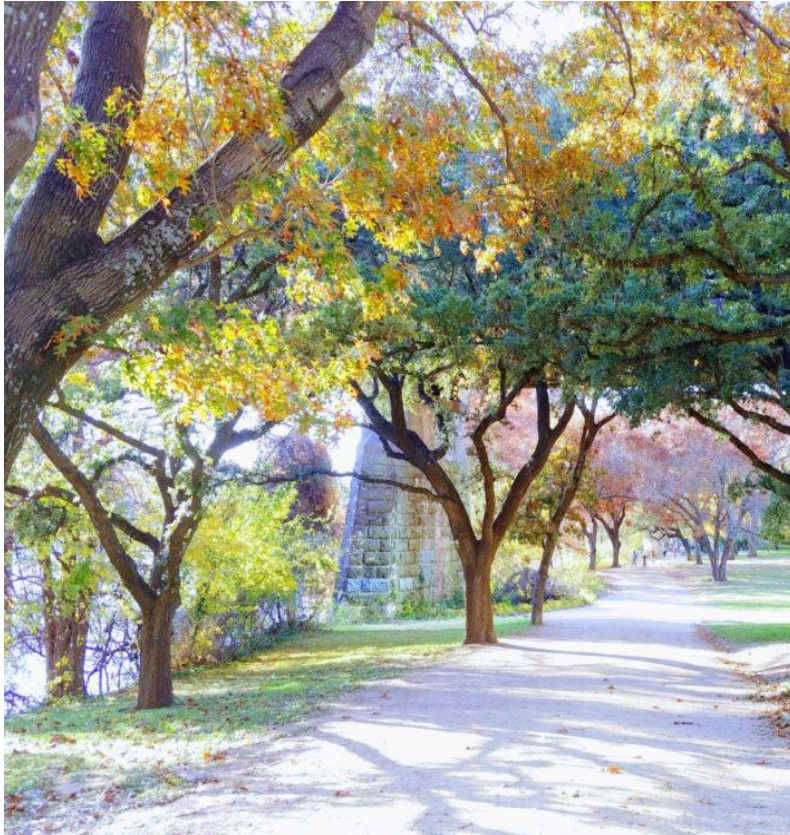
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Removed invasive trees, planted trees, installed groundwater irrigation, and installed educational signage on the Circle Acres Nature Preserve.

LEAD APPLICANT

Ecology Action of Texas



Caring Project: THE TRAIL FOUNDATION – URBAN FOREST Tree Care

2020 AWARD

\$115,000.00

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Annual support for the Trail Foundation forestry initiatives along the Lady Bird Lake trail.

LEAD APPLICANT

The Trail Foundation



Caring Project: OAK WILT ASSESSMENT COMPLETED Tree Care

2020 AWARD
\$1,200.00

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
An oak wilt survey and assessment was performed for the Colony at Maple Run neighborhood.

LEAD APPLICANT
The Colony at Maple Run
Committee



Caring Project: REMOVE AND REPLACE PROGRAM Tree Care

2020 AWARD

\$76,089.00

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Tree Folks removed 31
dangerous trees and gave away
30 saplings to 25 homeowners.

LEAD APPLICANT

Tree Folks



Caring Project: AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TREE MAINTENANCE Tree Care

2020 AWARD
\$31,075.00

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
Funding was made available for
tree maintenance on Austin
Public Library campuses.

LEAD APPLICANT
City of Austin Public Library



Caring Project:

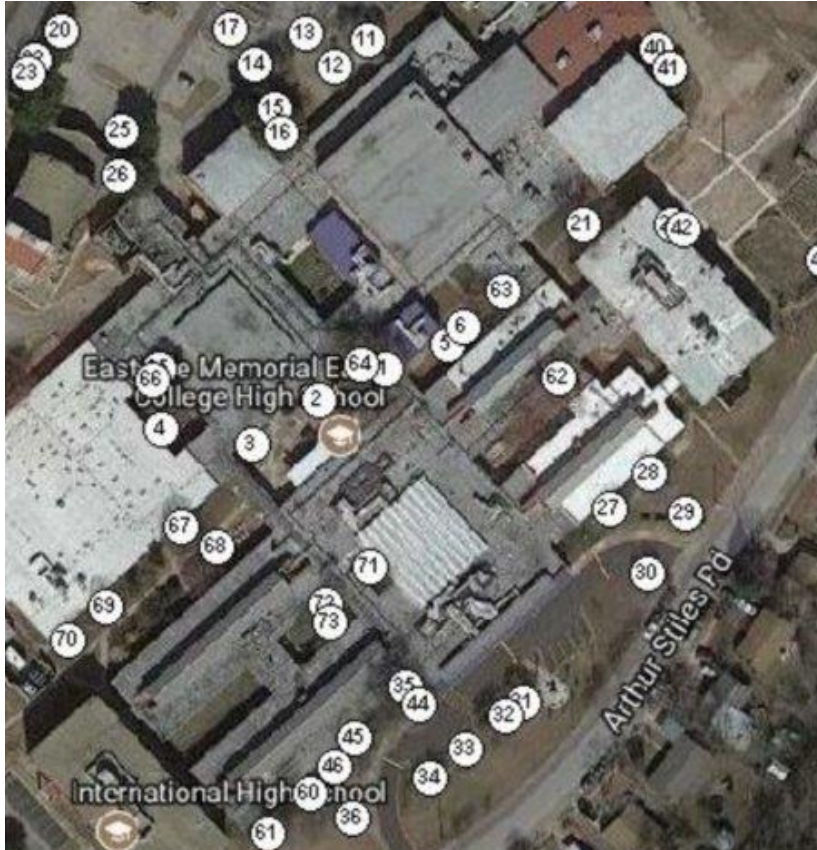
AUSTIN PARKS FOUNDATION Tree Care Projects

2019 AWARD
\$116,926

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
An estimated 442 trees were
cared for at 191 volunteer park
projects across Austin.

LEAD APPLICANT
Austin Parks Foundation
<https://austinparks.org/>



Caring Project:

Urban Forest Specialist Tree Mapping

2019 AWARD

\$41,819

IMPACT

An Urban Forest Specialist was hired to assist AISD with the creation of an inventory of trees on AISD property as well as assess tree health and risk mitigation. The Forest Specialist coordinates with school communities to plant new trees for long-term health of the tree canopy on AISD campuses.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

Darien Clary, Austin Independent School System



Caring Project:

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE STRENGTHS & GAPS ASSESSMENT

Research

2019 AWARD

\$10,000

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

This was a contribution to hire consultant to determine areas of efficient use (strengths) and deficiencies (gaps) of green infrastructure using geographic analysis methodologies.

LEAD APPLICANT

Office of Sustainability



Caring Project:

BRIGHT GREEN FUTURE GRANT Tree Care Projects

2019 AWARD

\$11,170

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Bright Green Future Grants is a competitive program that provides funding for school-based sustainability projects up to \$3,000. The 2019 round of projects cared for approximately 84 trees on school property.

LEAD APPLICANT

Office of Sustainability



Caring Project:

OAK WILT PREVENTION Disease + Pest Control

2019 AWARD

\$1,532

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Approximately 5 live oak trees have been treated with oak wilt preventative.

LEAD APPLICANTS

Public Works Departments



Caring Project:

REPUBLIC SQUARE AUCTION OAKS BOUGH SUPPORT

Tree Care

2019 AWARD

\$16,504

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

A structural support was installed on a critical bough of the Auction Oak in Republic Square.

LEAD APPLICANT

Downtown Austin Alliance



Caring Project:

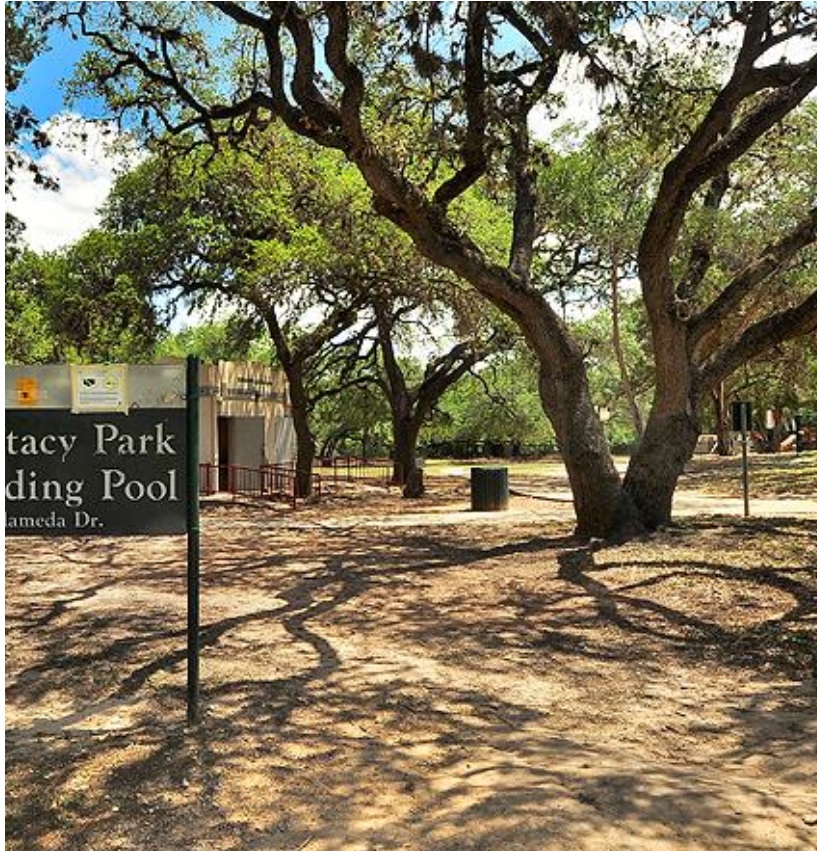
ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION Tree Care

2019 AWARD
\$140,275

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
This projects improves Austin's urban forest as it exists along the Trail through mulching, removing invasive species on trees, conducting a Trail-wide tree risk assessment, tree pruning, planting seedlings, and educating the public on the importance of proper tree care.

LEAD APPLICANT
The Trail Foundation



Caring Project: LITTLE STACY PARK Tree Care

2019 AWARD
\$14,500

IMPACT
Tree care for eight large live
oaks at Stacy Park.

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
Friends of Blue Bonnet Hills
Neighborhood Association



Caring Project:

WALNUT CREEK METRO PARK ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION

Invasive Species Control

2018 AWARD

\$3,300

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Removal and monitoring of invasive plant species at the Walnut Creek Metro Park.

LEAD APPLICANT

Keep Walnut Creek Wild

<http://www.meetup.com/Keep-Walnut-Creek-Wild-The-Meetup-Group/>



Caring Project:

AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Tree Care

2018 AWARD

\$118,651

IMPACT

Tree care maintenance at Austin's public libraries.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

City of Austin, Austin Public Library



Caring Project: MASSEY TRACT SITE Land Appraisal

2018 AWARD

\$35,148.00

IMPACT

Purchase of a forested 5-acre tract of land to compliment the Balcones Canyonland Preserve.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

City of Austin, Water Utility



Caring Project: ZILKER BOTANICAL GARDEN Tree Care

2018 AWARD

\$16,900

FUNDING SOURCE

Planting for the Future Fund

IMPACT

Tree care at the Zilker Botanical Garden as part of the Taniguchi Garden Restoration.

LEAD APPLICANT

City of Austin, Parks and Recreation



Caring Project:

SHIPE PARK_BALL MOSS REMOVAL

Tree Care

2017 AWARD
\$5,500

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
This project removed 90% of the ball moss from 9 trees located at Shipe Park. Additionally, small and necessary pruning cuts were completed to bring the trees back to health.

LEAD APPLICANT
Friends of Shipe Park



Caring Project:

SHADE TREE PRUNING BETWEEN BRIDGES

Tree Care

2017 AWARD

\$2,800

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Four live oak trees and one pecan were pruned between the Pfluger Pedestrian Bridge and historic Union Pacific Railroad bridge. This project improved access to the trail and supported the health of the trees receiving care.

LEAD APPLICANT

The Trail Foundation



Caring Project:

PARD FORESTRY TREE ESTABLISHMENT Tree Care

2017 AWARD

\$40,375

IMPACT

PARD Forestry undertook preventive care for 793 park trees.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

Urban Forestry Operations,
Parks and Recreation
Department,
City of Austin



Caring Project:

PARD FORESTRY TREE MAINTENANCE Tree Care

2017 AWARD
\$31,454

IMPACT
PARD Forestry performed proactive tree maintenance on 212 park trees at South Austin Neighborhood Park and Adams-Hemphill Park.

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
Urban Forestry Operations,
Parks and Recreation
Department,
City of Austin



Caring Project:

BAILEY MIDDLE SCHOOL Tree Care

2016 AWARD
\$880

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
This project amended the soil of 20 trees at Bailey Middle School Campus. Costs included compost, mulch, and a 4 wheeled cart to move the material around the site.

LEAD APPLICANT
Bailey Middle School PTA



Caring Project:

PEASE PARK Tree Care

2015-2016 AWARD
\$72,945

IMPACT

This tree care project at Pease Park included tree planting, invasive species removals and structural pruning for both tree health and public safety.

peasepark.org/trees-for-pease

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

Pease Park Conservancy



Caring Project:

LADY BIRD JOHNSON WILDFLOWER CENTER Tree Care

2016 AWARD

\$11,886

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

This project supported the hiring of an arborist intern at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. The intern assisted staff arborists in the care and culture of trees at the Wildflower Center, including tree ID, propagation, planting, pruning, climbing techniques, and equipment operation.

LEAD APPLICANT

University of Texas at Austin Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center



Caring Project:

BUTLER TRAIL

Tree Care

2016 AWARD

\$55,000

IMPACT

This project focused on seven areas around Lady Bird Lake that required pruning in live oak groves. Extensive root grown cleaning and structural pruning was required.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

The Trail Foundation



Caring Project:

BURNET ROAD TREE WATERING PROJECT Tree Care

2015 AWARD

\$1,500

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

86 non-irrigated trees, planted along the right-of-way, were hand watered during the summer months. Tree were planted during a different phase of the project along Burnet Road from 2222 to Highway 183. Costs included landscape fabric, trunk guards, mulch. Watering was conducted by volunteers and paid staff.

LEAD APPLICANT

Sustainable Neighborhoods of North Central Austin



Caring Project:

OAK WILT PREVENTION Disease + Pest Control

2015-2018 AWARDS

\$1,943,106

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Over 100 live oak trees have been treated with oak wilt preventative, and two suppression trenches have been installed to prevent the spread of oak wilt to new trees.

LEAD APPLICANTS

City of Austin, Development
Services & Public Works
Departments



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