

Inspiring Projects

\$268,704

Urban Forest Stewardship in Austin Texas
2015-2020



Development CITY OF AUSTIN
SERVICES DEPARTMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD CRITTERS CREATURAS DEL BARRIO



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Inspiring Project: Grackle Green Playground Gates Art

2020 AWARD
\$5,069.00

IMPACT
Installed two intricate, “I-spy”
nature-themed gates at the
two entrances of the “Grackle
Green” playground.

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
Cherrywood Neighborhood
Association



Inspiring Project: COMMUNITY TREE OUTREACH Engagement

2020 AWARD
\$43,552.00

IMPACT
These funds promoted a healthy community of engaged and educated community stewards.

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
City of Austin, Development
Services Department



Informing Project:

BRIGHT GREEN FUTURE GRANTS Education

2019 AWARD

\$12,960

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. In 2019 BGF Grants helped provide inspiring, urban forest themed activities to approximately 1,800 school age children.

LEAD APPLICANT

Office of Sustainability



Inspiring Project: CYNOTYPE WORKSHOP Public Art

2019 AWARD
\$1,100

IMPACT
Retreat facilitated a cyanotype workshop for approximately 200 children and adults during the Roots & Wings Festival.

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
Retreat



Inspiring Project: COMMUNITY TREE OUTREACH Engagement

2019 AWARD
\$58,761

IMPACT
2019 community engagement programming supports Imagine Austin and Austin Urban Forest Plan goals. In 2019 approximately 3,561 community members participated in inspiring activities related to trees.

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
City of Austin, Development Services Department



Inspiring Project:

LAGUNA GLORIA – IRON TREE TRUNK

Public Art

2018 AWARD

\$30,000

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

With the help of over 80 donors, the Contemporary Austin at Laguna Gloria purchased the Ai Weiwei sculpture, Iron Tree Trunk.

LEAD APPLICANT

The Contemporary Austin



Inspiring Project:

ODDITREE SOCIETY – MAP OF ODD TREES Public Art

2018 AWARD
\$18,040

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
A playful and educational field guide for people of all ages that encourages first hand exploration of unique tree formations found in central Austin.

LEAD APPLICANT
Austin's Atlas | Odditree Society

<http://odditreesociety.org/>



Inspiring Project: URBAN FOREST COMMUNICATION Engagement

2018 AWARD
\$29,853

IMPACT
2018 community engagement programming that supports Imagine Austin and Austin Urban Forest Plan. Think Trees, honoring Margaret Hoffman, was launched in 2018.

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
City of Austin, Development Services Department



Inspiring Project:

VOLUNTEER FOREST STEWARDSHIP ON PARKLAND Community Events

2018 AWARD

\$1,100

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

Austin Parks Foundation
hosted 177 forestry-related
projects on 93 parks in 2018.
4,876 volunteers were
engaged, contributing
\$340,796 in volunteer time!

LEAD APPLICANT

Austin Parks Foundation



Inspiring Project: BOARDWALK BENCHES Planning

2017 AWARD
\$58,000

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
Benches were crafted and installed along the overlook at the Ann and Roy Butler Hike-and-Bike Trail at Lady Bird Lake. The benches, designed by Studio Balcones and crafted from reclaimed wood by Hatch Workshop, were placed in memory of long-time, local volunteer Eloy Ojeda for all to enjoy.

LEAD APPLICANT
The Trail Foundation



Informing Project:

URBAN FOREST COMMUNICATION Education

2017 AWARD

\$10,743

IMPACT

Funding for community engagement efforts that support Imagine Austin and Austin Urban Forest Plan Visions. Engagement methods involved social media, and outreach items for community events.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

Community Tree Preservation Division, Development Services, City of Austin



Informing Project: STICKWORKS Art

2017 AWARD

\$15,000

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT

The Pease Park Conservancy commissioned Patrick Dougherty to create his Stickwork art installation using local sources of ash and ligustrum. Over 200 volunteers helped harvest and build the structures which will remain standing until nature takes its course.

LEAD APPLICANT

Pease Park Conservancy



Urban Forest Sustainability and Management Review



AUSTIN'S URBAN FOREST PLAN

2017

Inspiring Project: URBAN FOREST IMPLEMENTATION Planning

2016 AWARD
\$18,060

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

IMPACT
The UFSMR is a tool created by the U. S. Forest Service to guide continued improvement for urban forest programs. The City of Austin, along with other governmental, non-profit and commercial groups undertook the review to assess Austin's progress in meeting the long-range vision of the Urban Forest Plan.

LEAD APPLICANT
Development Services, City of Austin



Informing Project: URBAN FOREST COMMUNICATION Engagement

2016 AWARD

\$4,977

IMPACT

Funding for community engagement efforts that support Imagine Austin and Austin Urban Forest Plan Visions. Engagement methods involved social media, and outreach items for events.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

Community Tree Preservation
Division, Development Services,
City of Austin



Inspiring Project: TREES OF GOVALLE Art

2015 AWARD
\$15,000

IMPACT
Over 2,000 people attended The Trees of Govalle, a dance featuring a large Pecan tree in Govalle Park and the Parks and Recreation Department's Urban Forestry Program staff. Arborists and their machinery were used to create a dance highlighting the skill, commitment, and elegance that is needed to keep our city's green space healthy.

FUNDING SOURCE
Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT
Forklift Danceworks



Inspiring Project: GOVALLE ROOTS Art

2015 AWARD
\$2,500

IMPACT

This event was hosted at the Mexican American Cultural Center with the goal of deepening community engagement with each other and their neighborhood trees. The event included a screening of the Trees of Govalle film, and a facilitated discussion. By the end of the event attendees were asked how they might get more involved volunteering to help with tree mulching and care projects.

FUNDING SOURCE

Urban Forest Replenishment Fund

LEAD APPLICANT

Forklift Danceworks



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