



*“Building Communities From
the Roots Up”*

**Get Involved and Make
a Difference in Your
Community Today**



West Virginia Project CommuniTree is a citizen based volunteer organization that makes local and regional improvements in urban communities and promotes volunteerism. The program is technically and financially supported by the West Virginia Conservation Agency and the West Virginia Division of Forestry.

CommuniTree's Mission is: To promote urban tree plantings and environmental education through volunteerism on a regional scale.



Each person can make a difference. Collectively we can make a difference much faster. For more information on WV Project CommuniTree, visit us on the web at:

www.wvca.us/bay



*Citizens making informed decisions within
their communities*



*“Planting today for the generations of
tomorrow”*



*Education is the foundation of Project
CommuniTree*

West Virginia Project CommuniTree

CommuniTree Projects Focus On

- 🌲 Tree Plantings
- 🌲 Watershed and Riparian Issues
- 🌲 Wildlife Enhancement
- 🌲 Recreational Improvement Opportunities
- 🌲 Aesthetics and Climate Cooling
- 🌲 Invasive Species Awareness



Our History

The first chapter of West Virginia Project CommuniTree was formed in 2008 in the Potomac Valley. It was initiated by a partnership between a local watershed group, county park system and state government. This

initial project resulted in over 100 volunteers planting 25 large landscape trees in the new Baker Community Park in Eastern Hardy County. Beautification and water quality enhancement through storm water management was the resulting positive outcome. Similar projects have been planned and implemented throughout the Eastern Panhandle of WV.



Volunteers retain ownership of their hard work and contribute to improvements for future generations.

Get Involved

CommuniTree Goals

- 🌲 Assist communities with design, implementation and maintenance of tree planting projects that enhance quality of life
- 🌲 Increase urban tree canopy cover
- 🌲 Educate stakeholders on proper tree selection and care
- 🌲 Foster increased awareness of local water quality issues

- 🌲 Connecting communities and volunteers with resources to make positive changes in their urban landscape
- 🌲 Engage local citizens in the process of making priority decisions within their respective communities
- 🌲 Promoting the development of long-term tree care programs within participating communities

Be a Volunteer

Successful projects are volunteer based and bring together stakeholders from a regional scale that involve tree boards, state and local government, watershed and other environmental groups, civic organizations, youth, schools and businesses. The diversity of our volunteers contributes to the overall goal of education and long-term ownership of any completed project. Everyone has a special talent, why not put it to use?

Be a Board Member

Our board members contribute by assisting with organization, prioritizing and soliciting projects, assisting with grant funding, directing the scope of projects and planning events. A minimal amount of your personal time will be required. Technical representatives are available to assist in carrying out projects.

Start a New Chapter

Do you know of an area in your community that could benefit from Project CommuniTree? Are you inter-

ested in environmental issues and making community improvements? Contact us now and we will help you get started! Forestry, conservation and park's staff serve as technical resources for all projects.

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A Watershed Partnership

