

Tree of Life Funding Opportunities for Faith Communities

VIRGINIA

COMMUNITY FORESTRY PROJECTS

- [The Virginia Department of Forestry Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program](#)

Supports long-term and sustained urban and community forestry projects and programs. For matching grants, proposals will be accepted up to \$50,000. Funds are available on a 50% of total project cost basis. For non-matching grants funded through the Inflation Reduction Act, proposals will be accepted up to \$250,000.

Project Categories:

- Support for Local Government Programs
- Tree Maintenance and Invasive Plant Removal
- Workforce Development Programs
- Demonstration Projects
- Extreme Heat Mitigation
- Non-Profit Organization Support
- Planning and Education and more

NATIVE TREE PLANTING

- [Virginia Department of Forestry: Virginia Trees for Clean Water Grant Program](#)
This grant is used to fund tree-planting efforts that raise public awareness of the benefits of trees and impacts on water quality. The funding range is \$1,000 – \$50,000.

FREE OR CHEAP TREES!

- [Arbor Day Foundation](#)
For a \$10 membership fee, receive 10 flowering tree seedlings.
 - [Buy Virginia Trees](#)
Cheap trees! Virginia Department of Forestry nurseries accept orders from early October – late April with pickup and shipping during Virginia's planting season, which runs from late February to late April.
 - [Bona Terra Seedling Tray Plant Grant](#)
Bona Terra is The largest retail inventory of strictly native plants using restorative growing methods in the DC area. No set limit on how many seedlings can be granted.
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FAIRFAX COUNTY

INVASIVE SPECIES REMOVAL

- [Fairfax County Park Authority's Mastenbrook Grant Program](#)
For faith communities next to parks, this program allows you to request capital development funds to match volunteer group resources for projects to improve Fairfax County Park Authority parks and park facilities. The goal is to assist volunteers in improving county parks by matching their funds/in-kind services. Maximum amount of grant funding is \$20,000 per project, and matching funds cannot exceed 50% of the total project cost. Projects include tree plantings or invasive species removal.

NATIVE TREES

- [Fairfax County Tree Preservation and Planting Fund](#)
Tree Planting Grants available from Fairfax County faith communities. Intended to help support the County's Tree Action Plan to expand and replace tree canopy in the County, and protect, manage, and enhance urban forest resources.
- [Fairfax ReLeaf](#)
Free trees!! Visit the "Free Trees" page for information on spring and fall distributions.
- [Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District Seedling Sale](#): Ordering opens in March. Plan to order early while supplies last!

NATIVE PLANTS

- [Earth Sangha Plant Grant](#)
Matching grants for organizations working on public land. This grant is designed to help citizen-led small-scale restoration efforts get the local-ecotype native plants they need, at a discount. No project is too small, whether it's a community-led invasive pull, or a larger project with multiple partners. Awardees will be granted matching funds on a "buy-one, get-one" basis from our Wild Plant Nursery. Faith communities qualify for up to \$500.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

- [Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District Conservation Assistance Programs](#)
The Conservation Assistance Programs help property owners address stormwater issues with environmentally-friendly practices. CAP funding is available for installing specific Best Management Practices (BMPs) in Virginia's participating Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs). These practices

can be installed where problems like erosion, poor drainage, or poor vegetation occur.

LOUDOUN COUNTY

NATIVE TREE/SHRUBS PLANTING

- [Tree Planting Program LSWCD Non-Ag Reforestation Program](#)
Targeted at planting trees to permanently reforest currently non-wooded land. Reimbursement for planting is provided at a rate of up to \$7000.00 per acre including eligible costs of trees, labor, and deer protection.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

- [Virginia Conservation Assistance Program](#)
An urban cost-share program that provides financial incentives and technical and educational assistance to property owners installing eligible Best Management Practices (BMPs) in Virginia's participating Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs). These practices can be installed where problems like erosion, poor drainage, or poor vegetation occur

ARLINGTON COUNTY

- [StormwaterWise Landscapes Program](#)
Do your part to reduce stormwater pollution from running off your property and get credit on your [stormwater utility fee](#).
- [Tree Canopy Fund](#)
Apply to get a native tree planted on your faith community's property. Grants are also available for the maintenance of large mature trees. Accepts applications in the late fall and spring.