

The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council (NUCFAC)

NUCFAC is an appointed advisory council to the Secretary of Agriculture on urban forestry and related issues. The 1990 Farm Bill created NUCFAC to bring together the wide variety of voices raised about a common concern: the present health and future preservation of America's urban forests. NUCFAC was founded to synthesize the full spectrum of views into a consistent vision, as a foundation for practical policy on urban forestry.

NUCFAC's mission is to work to improve America's communities by recommending policies that:



Cultivate a public understanding and appreciation of the values and benefits derived from high quality tree plantings and the necessity for the proper techniques to maintain, conserve, and manage urban trees, community forests and related resources;



Foster effective, self-sustaining municipal and volunteer community forestry programs;



Emphasize development of educational systems for competent training of people working in all aspects of community forestry;



Stimulate increased funding from traditional and non-traditional sources for planning and planting of high quality new trees, and care of our existing community trees and forests; and



Encourage greatly expanded research into the problems of urban trees, forests and the environment, and assure widespread distribution of results of research in useful and relevant formats; and promote private enterprise and homeowners as valuable partners in the preservation and management of urban trees and forests.

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