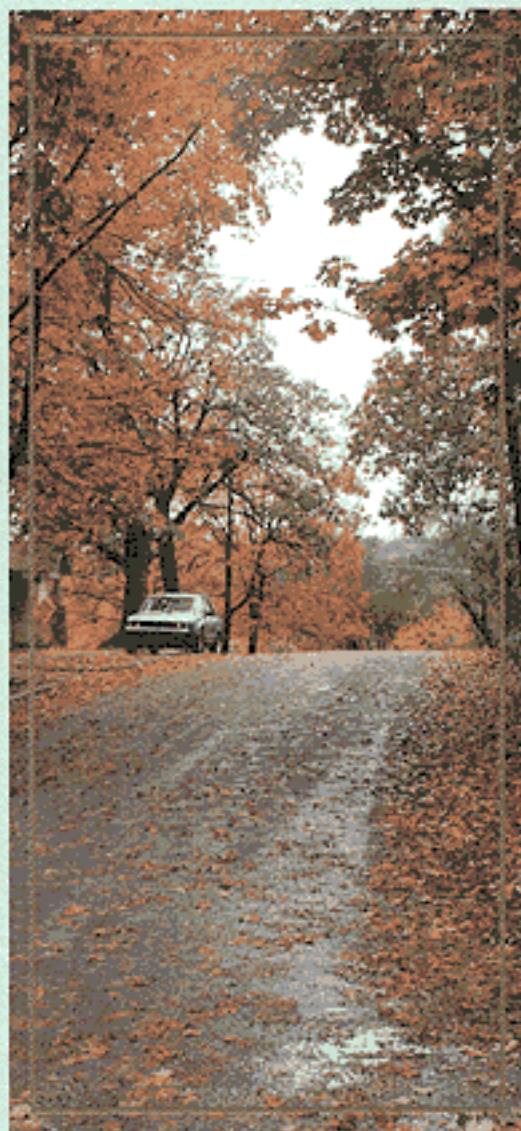


**ARKANSAS
URBAN FORESTRY
COUNCIL**



**Helping Build Healthy
Communities With Trees**

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the Arkansas Urban Forestry Council is to increase public awareness of the value of trees to Arkansas Communities.

What is Arkansas Urban & Community Forestry?

Urban forestry is the conservation of trees along streets, in open green spaces and watersheds, in parks and in neighborhoods. There are few practices that contribute more to the quality of urban life than the sustainability of the natural resources on which we have built our communities.

Trees are important to the economic and environmental health of our communities. Air quality, property value, community beautification, economic attractiveness, and general livability can all be derived from the planting and care of trees in our communities.

Successful urban and community forestry programs are based on public awareness and support. Strong partnerships strengthen local urban forestry programs by advocating political support, increasing management, leveraging private funding, obtaining media support and promoting public education outreach. Our responsibility is to educate communities about the importance of the urban forest environment and how to manage this valuable resource. You can help by joining the Arkansas Urban Forestry Council.

Trees cool & cleanse the air, buffer noises, increase property values, break harsh winter winds, and provide habitat for wildlife and recreation.



Tree planting at new ball park in Wynne.

Benefits of Membership

We value your interest. Criteria for membership is an interest in and an appreciation of urban and community trees and forests. By joining AUFC you will:

*Do Something positive
for the environment*

*Contribute to the
preservation, protection and
improvement of Arkansas'
urban forests*

*Participate in community
outreach projects*



*Tree planting with Albert Pike
Elementary students at Tilles
Park in Fort Smith*

*Discover funding and grant
opportunities for your community's
urban forest*

*Stay Informed of upcoming
workshops, conferences, and the
latest news on urban forestry
through quarterly newsletters
and bulletins*

*Guide the AUFC by selecting the
board of directors and participating in
committees, community projects, and
volunteer activities*

Opportunities to Participate!

Please check the areas of interest to you
or call 800-958-5865.

- Grants and Funding for Community Projects
Receive funding for your project
- Newsletter Articles
*Help increase public awareness about
the value of trees*
- Disaster Assistance
*Voluntary tree restoration after a
tornado or fire*
- Learn More About Trees
*Preserving, planting, and managing
the community forest through workshops*
- Annual Conference
*Network with others in the industry and
local communities*
- Media and Education
*Offering continuing education, practical
arborist training, career development
and certification*
- Become a Tree City USA
*Receive information about this award
and celebrating Arbor Day.*



YES, I WOULD LIKE TO BECOME
A MEMBER.

NAME

AGENCY OR ORGANIZATION

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

PHONE

DATE

E-MAIL, FAX

CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP

- DOGWOOD (INDIVIDUAL).....\$15
- MAPLE (FAMILY).....\$25
- PINE (MUNICIPAL).....\$50
- OAK (CORPORATE).....\$100

AREA OF INTEREST

History & Development

AUFC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the ecological preservation of urban and community trees. The origin of the Forestry Council goes back to the 1990 Farm Bill, which substantially increased funding for state urban forestry initiatives.

To manage these funds effectively, the Arkansas Forestry Commission created an advisory committee on urban forestry issues. In 1993, the committee took the name "Arkansas Urban and Community Forestry Council" and established an independent board of directors. In 1996, the IRS granted AUCFC 501(c)(3) nonprofit status. Recently, AUCFC became the Arkansas Urban Forestry Council.

The Council's role is to educate and promote good urban forest policies and management principles to Arkansas' communities. AUFC works at local, regional and state levels with citizens and public officials alike on important natural resource and tree care issues.

This nonprofit organization exists to provide assistance to the citizens of Arkansas on matters related to the conservation and improvement of the state's urban and community forests.



Neighborwoods Commemorative tree planting at Walker Park in Fayetteville

Visit our Website at
<http://www.aucfc.com>

Trees provide economic benefits, attract businesses and tourists, beautify communities, generate forest products, and improve and enhance quality of life.

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AUFC OFFERS ITS PROGRAMS TO ALL ELIGIBLE PERSONS REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE OR DISABILITY, AND IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. THIS BROCHURE FUNDED IN PART BY THE USFS AND THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION