

Toby Bost Urban Tree Endowment
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Toby Bost Urban Tree Endowment Grant

An Urban Tree Endowment Grant helps fund the planting and care of a tree on private or public property. It is a grant given to an individual citizen, group or organization within the Piedmont Triad. The recipient must reside in Forsyth, Stokes, Yadkin, Davie, Guilford, or Davidson counties. A recipient may receive up to a \$200 grant. Two grants will be awarded annually. To apply for the grant, please complete the below application. The application is due March 1.

Name of Individual, Group, or Organization: _____

Tree Species selected (must be a recommended “canopy” species by NCSU Forestry or Horticulture Department for Piedmont conditions):

Grant Amount Requested: _____

Provide details on how the money will be spent (use additional page if needed)

Provide a description of the location in which the tree will be planted (provide light exposure information, growing site space allowance, and explanation as to how the area was chosen. (Use additional page as necessary.)

Provide a timeline for the planting and continual care of the tree (include information about sustainability, i.e.: who will be responsible for caring for the tree; monthly summer watering and annual mulching.)

Why was this tree specifically chosen? How will it enhance the natural environment in which it will be planted?

Can we release this information to the media?

Please list any partners that will be involved in this grant.

I (We), the applicant, _____ agree to plant, site, and provide appropriate care for the tree to ensure its survival if awarded the grant funds.

****Inspection of the planting by a master gardener or tree care professional is encouraged but not required.**

Signature of Grantee: _____

Date: _____

If the grant is received, you will be required to submit a picture of the tree and a copy of the original receipt of the tree purchase by Sept 30 of the current year.

Grant Criteria

- 1. Applications are received January – February (March 1 deadline).**
- 2. Scholarship awards will be decided by the Toby Bost Urban Tree Endowment Fund Committee, appointed annually.**
- 3. The Fund Committee has the authority to approve up to \$150 in grant funds to any particular recipient.**
- 4. Grant recipients will be notified no later than March 15 by official letter of their award.**
- 5. Grant funds will be distributed to the recipients before April 15.**
- 6. The Committee will keep a record of grant recipients and their completed summary from their tree grant.**
- 7. Should 2 grants not be given annually, the funds will remain at NCSU Foundation, allowing the Committee to increase the number of possible recipients in subsequent years.**
- 7. If an applicant is of close relation (cousin, child, grandchild, sibling) or a business partner to a member of the Fund Committee, that member will not be allowed to vote due to conflict of interest.**
- 8. The grant will be allotted to applicants who receive a 2/3 vote of the Fund Committee.**
- 9. All recipients must be a resident of one of the following counties: Forsyth, Davie, Stokes, Guilford, Yadkin, or Davidson.**
- 10. Recipients must agree to plant, site, and provide appropriate care for the tree to ensure its survival; normally 18 months to 3 years.**
- 11. Inspection of the planting by an Extension master gardener volunteer, horticulturist, or tree care professional is encouraged but not required.**