

What actions will you take in the Year of Vibrant Green Space?

Why is Vibrant Green Space important?

Vibrant green space can be defined as an accessible and active public space that benefits all and connects people to place, nature, and one another. The diverse environmental, economic and social benefits of Cleveland's green space support the sustainable development of the city. Green space improves the quality of place and quality of life for its residents, is a main driver in economic prosperity, and helps retain and attract residents. Here are actions you can take at home, at work, and in your community to support vibrant green space.

AT HOME...

- Become a Tree Steward. Tree Steward training teaches Clevelanders the basics of tree care.
- Plant a tree in your yard. The best opportunities for revitalizing our urban forest is on private property.
- Maintain existing trees and other vegetation and reduce impervious surfaces on your property. This helps keep your neighborhood cool and green during high heat days.

AT WORK...

- Ensure green space is at or near your facility for employees and visitors to enjoy.
- Plant trees on your property where possible. Check out the Cleveland Tree Plan for a tree planting species list.
- Engage your employees in community efforts such as park clean-ups, Arbor Day events and other ways to preserve and improve our greenspaces.

IN YOUR COMMUNITY...

- Join or create a "friends of" group to adopt a park or greenspace and keep it free of litter.
- Check out Cleveland Metroparks' event calendar packed with activities to celebrate their 100-year anniversary.
- Join the Forest City Working Group to help support the reforestation of Cleveland.
- Join a Garden Walk Cleveland tour on July 8th & 9th throughout several of Cleveland's neighborhoods.
- Attend the 9th annual Sustainable Cleveland Summit on September 27th & 28th

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