

Take a look at the amazing things trees do for you!



Got clean air? Thank a tree!

A single tree removes several tons of CO₂ and other greenhouse gases over its lifetime. And that's not all. Studies show that people who live in neighborhoods with trees tend to socialize more with their neighbors. Trees keep you cool in the summer, warm in the winter. Trees protect water quality. Evidence suggests that tree cover may be linked to lower levels of crime in residential neighborhoods. Furthermore, the forest products industry contributes billions of dollars to the US economy annually.

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Care for a tree. It cares for you.

Trees make useful things for you.

From pencils and paper, to lumber and other sustainably grown products, trees provide shelter, furniture, and countless supplies for school, office, and home. Trees are renewable resources when managed properly; as trees are harvested, new trees are planted to begin the next generation of forest.

Trees make oxygen for you.

Trees take carbon dioxide (CO₂) out of the air and produce oxygen in its place. They store the carbon in their roots, trunk, branches, and leaves. For each pound of new wood that grows, the tree removes 1.8 pounds of CO₂ from the air and produces 1.3 pounds of oxygen. Even modest increases in tree canopy have reduced peak ozone levels in Los Angeles and communities along the east coast from Baltimore to Boston.

Trees make life more fun.

From outdoor festivals to nature walks, trees promote activities that lead to happier, healthier lives. Tree-lined streets are more walkable, encouraging people to walk more—and farther—during their day-to-day activities. Parks serve as settings for outdoor recreation on a daily basis. Urban and community forests and trails provide opportunities for recreation and creative thinking.

Trees keep streets safe.

By reducing noise pollution, calming tempers, slowing down cars, promoting pedestrian traffic, and fostering social interaction, research suggests that trees make neighborhoods a safer place to live. The presence of trees along the sidewalk not only reduces traffic speeds but also serves as a protective barrier between cars and pedestrians.

Trees save you money.

Trees add value to your home and property, help cool your home and neighborhood, and break the cold winds to lower your heating costs. Trees not only save you money on energy but also can make you money by increasing property value. Research shows that the presence of trees can increase the value as much as 15 percent.

Trees keep your drinking water clean.

Trees reduce stormwater runoff and act as a natural filter to prevent accumulated pollutants on paved surfaces from washing into waterways. Trees also function as natural filters by retaining sediment and organic matter from overland flow, which reduces erosion and improves water quality for fish and wildlife habitat.

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