

Does *your* front yard have room for an
(almost) free Street Tree ?



Here's a public-private partnership we can all love:

- ☀ The Town will purchase and plant a 2-1/2" diameter, approx. 5 – 6 foot tall tree.
- ☀ You choose from a selection of species.
- ☀ You receive a watering bag and specific instructions for future care.
- ☀ You, the homeowner, agree to water the tree regularly for its first 3 growing seasons.
- ☀ You and your family enjoy the benefits of the town-owned tree.

Why is the Town starting this project?

Bedford loses a large number of trees every year

due to disease, age, storm damage and projects, both Town and private.

With fewer trees, we all lose--

- ☀ environmental and health benefits, like cleaner air and water
- ☀ financial benefits, like higher property values & a more vibrant business community
- ☀ safer streets, through traffic calming (roadside trees tend to slow traffic)
- ☀ the beauty and character of tree-lined streets

The Town purchases and plants trees but does not have the resources for the time-intensive job of watering them. Newly-planted trees need watering for the first three critical years when they are developing a healthy root system. This innovative program gives citizens a lovelier front yard while improving the health of their community!

- ☀ **Planting may start as early as this April! There may be a waiting list, so contact BARC at jaci929@verizon.net soon!**