

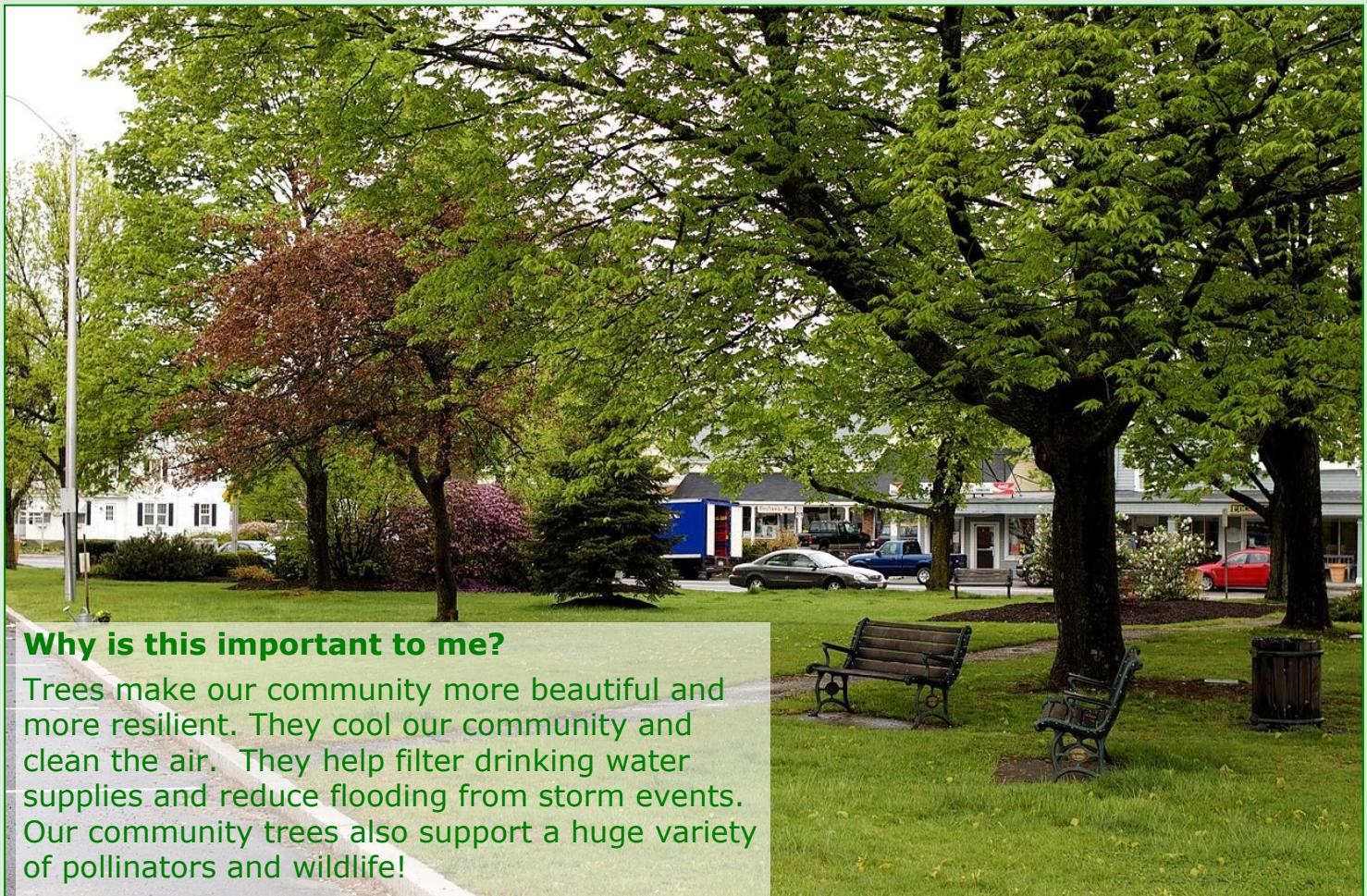


# Town of Littleton, MA — Shade Tree Committee

## What is the Littleton Shade Tree Committee?

The Shade Tree Committee is a group of volunteers, appointed by the Select Board, plus the Tree Warden, for the purpose of purchasing, planting and cultivating public shade trees in or near public ways. The Committee also promotes a healthy and sustainable community forest by planting quality trees and providing education and advocacy to the public on the benefits of trees.

**Goal:** The goal of the STC is to work in close cooperation with town departments, homeowners, and businesses on matters that affect Littleton's trees in order to preserve and improve a sustainable community forest.



**Why is this important to me?**

Trees make our community more beautiful and more resilient. They cool our community and clean the air. They help filter drinking water supplies and reduce flooding from storm events. Our community trees also support a huge variety of pollinators and wildlife!

Contact information:

39 Ayer Road  
Littleton, MA 01460



<https://www.littletonma.org/shade-tree-committee>

**Phone: 978-540-2670**

**\* Visit the website for current meeting dates and agendas**

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## Community Forest and Shade Tree Facts

- Trees provide natural cooling and consume carbon dioxide.
- A mature tree can lower home energy use between 100 to 250 kilowatt-hours per year.
- Having large trees in yards along streets increases a home's value.
- Access to trees, green spaces, and parks promotes greater physical activity, and reduces stress, while improving the quality of life in our town.



## Trees are Fun!

*Explore Littleton's Parks and Conservation Lands to find interesting trees.*

### Did you know:

The STC has an annual tree giveaway for third graders at Russel Street School every spring!

The MA DCR has a Legacy Tree Program. It formally recognizes trees of significant importance in Massachusetts.

Submit your entry at:

<https://www.mass.gov/guides/massachusetts-legacy-tree-program>

## Where to Find Information & Resources

### Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR):

*Urban and Community Forestry Program*

<https://www.mass.gov/service-details/urban-and-community-forestry>

### Littleton Electric Light and Water Department (LELWD): Green Rewards Program, free trees

<https://www.lelwd.com/greenrewards/trees/>

### Littleton Conservation Commission:

<https://www.littletonma.org/conservation>

### Littleton Conservation Trust (LCT): Conservation Land Open to the Public from Dawn to Dusk

Town Conservation Land Map: <https://littletonconservationtrust.org/trail-guide/>

### Arbor Day Foundation:

<https://www.arborday.org/trees/benefits.cfm>