

Committees

Tree Committee

Our Tree Committee volunteers help plan Arbor Day and the third grade elementary school plantings. They do corrective pruning, mulching, and watering, as well as planting trees.

Marketing Committee

This committee plans for Arbor Day, Earth Day, the Annual Meeting, and our Holiday Party. They send out the bi-annual newsletter, all news releases, and the Annual Report. They also select the Volunteer of the Year and promote the planting of a healthy community. They are responsible for Facebook updates, maintaining the integrity of the Tree Lafayette brand, and the organization's website. In addition, they champion all fundraising events.

Education Committee

Through a classroom presentation, books and other educational materials donated to the classrooms, this committee helps all Lafayette third graders learn the value of trees; and fifth graders with their annual poster contest. The classes plant one tree per year, per 40 students. The goal is for all of Tippecanoe County to be a part of this program. This committee also selects the Preservation and Environmental Awards, each year.

Development Committee

This committee prepares and files all grants and maintains the donor/supporter database. They send out renewals twice a year for funding, maintain the operational budget, and post daily income and expenditures. They also oversee the annual financial review and file Federal and State taxes.



Mission Statement

Tree Lafayette's mission is to promote a healthy community by providing education, leadership, and inspiration in planting, and caring for trees.

Vision Statement

Tree Lafayette's vision is a green and beautiful urban landscape in our community.



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WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!



Celebrations

Arbor Day

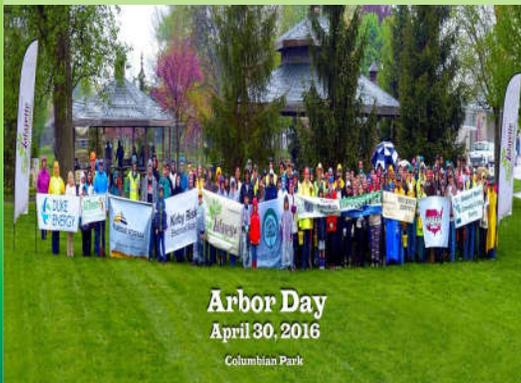
Arbor Day is an annual observance (the last Saturday of April or first Saturday in May) that celebrates the role of trees in our lives and promotes tree planting and care. As a formal holiday, it was first observed in 1872, but tree planting festivals are as old as civilization. The idea of Arbor Day originated in the United States in Nebraska. (www.arborday.org)

Earth Day

This is an annual event (April 22) which is held worldwide to demonstrate support for environmental protection. It was first celebrated in 1970 and is now coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network (www.earthday.org) and celebrated in more than 193 countries, each year.

Help Us Celebrate This Year!

- ◆ April 21, 2017—Earth Day (Observed)
- ◆ April 22, 2017—Timber Run 5K Race/Walk to benefit Tree Lafayette
- ◆ April 29, 2017—Arbor Day (Observed)



Volunteer Opportunities

Tree Lafayette can always use more volunteers to help us serve the Lafayette community. There are many different ways to volunteer ranging from behind-the-scenes work to actually planting trees. Long-term committee positions (usually a one-year commitment) and short-term event responsibilities are available and are always needing more help. The more volunteers we have, the more we can serve the community.

Long-Term Opportunities

- ◆ Development, Financial, Membership, and Grants' Committee
- ◆ Education Committee
- ◆ Marketing Committee
- ◆ Tree Committee

Short-Term Opportunities

- ◆ Arbor Day Volunteers
- ◆ Earth Day Volunteers

How To Plant A Tree

1. Dig a shallow, wide hole.
2. Identify the trunk flare.
3. Remove cage and tree burlap.
4. Place tree at proper height.
5. Straighten the tree in the hole.
6. Fill the hole gently but firmly.
7. Water the tree to remove air pockets.
8. Stake the tree, if necessary.
9. Mulch the base of the tree.
10. Do not apply mulch on trunk.

