

# Tree Canopy Restoration Program

**Please help your new tree thrive by following these tree care tips!**

Your new tree was planted today by Crimboli Nursery & Landscape, Inc., the city's tree planting contractor, and is guaranteed for one year. Please follow these guidelines to help ensure the success of your new tree!

Water with five gallons of water at the base of the tree every day until October 31. A good watering is applied slowly with a soaker hose or a hose on a slow trickle.

Water once a week during the first two summers. Then water once a month the next two summers. If it has rained at least 1" during the week, watering is not necessary. Water deeply so the water can soak down to the depth of the root system. The soil should be moist but not soggy.

If you decide to add mulch around your new tree, maintain a 3-inch thick mulch/wood chip ring around the base of the tree and not touching the trunk. Mulch piled up against the trunk, "mulch volcanoes," can kill the tree. A mulch ring will help retain soil moisture, improve soil quality, impede weeds and protect the tree from weed whip/ mower damage.

Avoid spraying any broad-leaf weed killers near the base of the tree.

Keep weed whips/lawn mowers away from the trunk. Weed whip/lawn mowers hitting the trunk can cause death due to repeated trunk injury.

IT IS IMPORTANT to remove the stakes used to stabilize your new tree after the first year.

If the tree doesn't leaf out by June 1, please call DPS at 248-246-3300 and an arborist will come out to evaluate it.

Need help?  
Have questions?  
Call 248-246-3300

