Trees Forever
Grant Opportunities
Trees Forever

To plant and care for trees and the environment by empowering people, building community and promoting stewardship.
Alliant Energy Branching Out

- Offered exclusively to Iowa communities where Alliant Energy provides electric and/or natural gas
- Designed to encourage energy efficiency, volunteer involvement, environmental awareness and community stewardship
- Grants of $500-$10K for community based tree planting projects. Including streets, schools, public buildings, trails, parks, entranceways, cemeteries
- Matching funds is not required but encouraged
Alliant Energy Branching Out

- **Spring Planting**
  - Applications Due November 1
  - Grants announced Jan 15
  - Funding Awarded March 1-31

- **Fall Planting**
  - Applications Due June 1
  - Grants announced August 15
  - Funding awarded September 1-30
Alliant Energy Branching Out

To Apply for a Branching Out Grant

• [www.treesforever.org/branching_out](http://www.treesforever.org/branching_out)

• Paper Applications found online or by contacting Trees Forever staff, Deb Roman or Aaron Brewer

• A site plan and budget page must accompany your narrative.

• Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis throughout the year.

• Your community may apply and receive funding for multiple projects in a single grant cycle.
2017 Branching Out Completed Projects

73 Projects completed
2,919 Landscape size trees planted
609 Seedling trees planted
2,254 Volunteers
6,510 Volunteer hours
Black Hills Energy

Power of Trees

- Offered to communities served by Black Hills Energy
- Trees can be planted on public or private property
- Grants range from $500-$7,000
- Application deadlines are June 1 and November 1
- www.treesforever.org/Power_of_Trees

Planting a better tomorrow™
2017 Power of Trees Completed Projects

37    Projects Completed

1,489 Landscape size trees planted

844    Seedling trees planted

987    Volunteers

3,085 Volunteer hours
Pollinator Habitat Conservation

• Each year we recruit 20 pollinator demonstration sites in Iowa and Illinois

• Yard, farm, parcel, city lot, school or nature center

• Participants are reimbursed up to $1,000 for 50% of their expenses

• Apply on line at www.treesforever.org or contact Debbie Fluegel

• Deadline is September 30
MidAmerican Energy

• Plant some shade

• Trees Please!
Plant Some Shade

- Purchase trees at discounted prices
- 3’-8’ trees selected by Iowa DNR at $30
- Trees are preordered and sold on a first come, first served basis. Maximum of two trees
- Spring events are posted in March
- Fall events are posted in September
- Must visit www.midamericanenergy.com
Trees Please!

- Promotes energy efficiency by providing shade and windbreaks for public plantings
- Applications are sent to communities in September and due in October
- Questions: www.planttreesatmidamerican.com
Call 811 Before You Dig

Before planting your tree, the law requires you to call 811 at least two business days before digging to make certain there are no utility lines or other equipment buried underground. For more information, visit www.call811.com.

- Plant the right tree in the right place
- Visit www.treesforever.org for suggested tree species list or to become a member
Aaron Brewer- Field Coordinator, Program Manager

abrewer@treesforever.org

319-373-0650  Extension 114