Committee Report

Community Development Committee



Committee meeting date: June 16, 2025

For the Metropolitan Council: June 25, 2025

Business Item: 2025-150

Funding Recommendations for 2025 Community Tree Planting Grants

Proposed action

That the Metropolitan Council award 14 Community Tree Planting Grants totaling \$2,500,000 as shown in Table 1 below.

Summary of Community Development Committee discussion/questions

Senior Climate Planner Gillian Greenberg presented the funding recommendations for 2025 Community Tree Planting Grant program on June 16, 2025. The Committee unanimously approved the item, expressing support for the design and implementation of the new grant program.

Motion by Council Member Carter, seconded by Council Member Lindstrom. Motion carried.

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District(s), member(s):	All
Policy/legal reference:	Minnesota Stat. § 473.355
Staff prepared/presented:	Gillian Greenberg, Senior Climate Planner (651) 602-1726
Division/department:	Community Development

Proposed action

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Table 1. Recommended Applications and Funding Amounts

Applicant	Project Name	Recommended Award Amount
City of Anoka	Sunny Acres Area Urban forest Restoration and Enhancement Project	\$83,100
City of Blaine	Remove and replace 39 ash trees in priority neighborhoods within the city	\$94,880
City of Brooklyn Center	Brooklyn Center Right-of-Way and Heritage Center Canopy Improvements	\$142,350
City of Coon Rapids	Grow Urban Coon Rapids	\$94,500
City of Maple Grove	Rice Lake Neighborhood Ash Tree Project	\$82,825
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board	Minneapolis target area ash tree removal completion and replanting project	\$454,407
City of Minnetonka	Minnetonka Tree Planting Program	\$277,215
City of Oakdale	Diseased ash tree removal and replacement tree planting in public spaces and rights of way	\$174,543
City of Ramsey	Majesty of the Commons – Ash Replacement and Community Collaboration	\$84,255
Ramsey County	Pierce Butler Route Tree Canopy Improvement Project	\$171,050
City of Roseville	City of Roseville EAB Mitigation	\$251,796
City of Saint Louis Park	Park Canopy Restoration Project	\$72,383
City of Vadnais Heights	Vadnais Heights Urban Canopy Program	\$220,196
City of West Saint Paul	West St. Paul Tree Canopy Improvement Project	\$296,500

Background

In the 2024 legislative session, the Minnesota Legislature directed the Council to establish a community tree planting grant program and appropriated \$2.5 million to the Council to distribute. The purpose of this program is to support the maintenance and expansion of the tree canopy in the

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region. The statutory language also outlined two program priorities:

- Projects removing and replacing ash trees that pose significant public safety concerns
- Projects located in census block groups with a supplemental demographic index score in the 70th percentile or higher within the state

The Council adopted a Notice of Funding Availability (<u>Business Item 2025-5</u>) for this grant program February 12, 2025. The grant application period opened on March 5, 2025, and closed April 16, 2025. The Council received 31 applications representing \$5,537,897.94 in funding requests.

Review Process

All applications were first reviewed by Met Council staff to ensure they met eligibility requirements. Applications were then split into three tiers as outlined in the Notice of Funding Availability. Tier 1 applications addressed both legislative priorities (projects removing and replacing ash trees and projects located in census block groups with a supplemental demographic index score in the 70th percentile or higher). Tier 2 applications addressed one of the two legislative priorities. Tier 3 applications met neither priority. 22 applications fell into Tier 1 representing \$4,573,849 in funding requests. Eight applications fell into Tier 2 and one application fell into Tier 3. All applications received along with their tier placement and requested award amount are listed in Attachment 1.

A six-person review panel was organized of two Council members, one Equity Advisory Council member, and representatives of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Mississippi Watershed Management Organization, and Great River Greening. The panel reviewed and scored Tier 1 applications. Given that funding requests in Tier 1 far exceeded the 2025 program funding, Council staff projected that no funding would remain after Tier 1 applications were reviewed and awarded funding. The panel individually reviewed and scored applications following the scoring criteria from the Notice of Funding Availability. They then met at the end of May to discuss the projects and develop a recommendation for funding.

Rationale

The review panel aimed to fund many high-quality applications with limited funding. The funding available allowed the 13 top scoring applications to be fully funded with some funding remaining for the fourteenth application. The panel had a thorough discussion about how to address this and decided to recommend that the program fund the top 14 applications given they all strongly reflect program priorities. The panel recommended taking small portions funding from the four applications with requests over \$250,000 to be able to fund all 14 projects.

In practice, this means recommended funding awards for Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, City of Minnetonka, City of Roseville, and City of West Saint Paul are 9% less than their total project request. Table 2 below provides more detail on the way this will impact project budgets. Met Council staff has worked with all four applicants to update their project scope and ensure that any changes maintain project work in the prioritized areas for community vulnerability and extreme heat.

Applicant	Original Budget Request	Recommended Funding
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board	\$500,000.00	\$454,407
City of Minnetonka	\$305,030.00	\$277,215
City of Roseville	\$277,060.00	\$251,796
City of West St. Paul	\$326,250.00	\$296,500

Table 2. Adjusted Award Amounts for Relevant Applicants

Attachment 2 includes a project description, project deliverables, and use of funds overview for each of the projects recommended for funding.

Grant agreements will back date the grant period to start May 1, 2025 to allow retroactive reimbursement for costs incurred prior to Council action, providing awardees more flexibility to fund eligible activities during the 2025 planting season.

Thrive lens analysis

On February 12, 2025, the Council adopted Imagine 2050, which builds on policy direction in Thrive MSP 2040. Under the Thrive lens, the Community Tree Planting Grant Program supports all Thrive outcomes: stewardship, prosperity, equity, livability, and sustainability. A healthy tree canopy is integral to healthy, resilient, and restored natural systems. The program's prioritization of community vulnerability ensures that funding is spent equitably and supports all residents in the region in accessing a high quality of life.

Funding

In the 2024 legislative session, the State established the Community Tree Planting Grant program along with an appropriation of \$3.188 million to the Council. \$688,000 of the funding was earmarked for South Saint Paul, leaving \$2.5 million to the competitive grant program. These funds are part of the Council's budget.

Small business inclusion

There are no direct impacts to small businesses with the proposed action.

Attachment 1

Table 3. All Applications received for 2025 program funding

Applicant	Project Name	Tier	Requested
		Placement	Award
			Amount
Anoka County	Anoka County Parks	1	\$500,000.00
Anoka, City of	Sunny Acres Area Urban Forest	1	\$83,100.00
	Restoration and Enhancement Project		
Apple Valley, City of	City of Apple Valley Park Ash Canopy Removal and Replacement	1	\$53,980.00
Bayport, City of	Bayport Ash Tree Replacement 1:1	2	\$42,875.00
Blaine, City of	Remove and replace 39 ash trees in priority neighborhoods within the City of Blaine.	1	\$94,879.81
Brooklyn Center, City of	Brooklyn Center Right-of-Way and Heritage Center Canopy Improvements	1	\$142,350.00
Coon Rapids, City of	Grow Urban-Coon Rapids	1	\$94,500.00
Cottage Grove, City of	City of Cottage Grove Tree Planting Project	3	\$63,797.00
Crystal, City of	Targeted Reforestation	2	\$55,000.00
Dakota County	Completing the Mississippi River Greenway	2	\$350,000.00
Farmington, City of	Dakota County Estates Community Tree Grant	1	\$210,000.00
Hastings, City of	City of Hastings Ash tree replacement 2025	1	\$74,421.37
Jordan, City of	City of Jordan - Community Tree Planting Grant	1	\$320,500.00
Little Canada, City of	City of Little Canada - Community Tree Planting Grant	1	\$60,000.00
Loretto, City of	City of Loretto Community Tree Planting Project	2	\$88,262.00
Maple Grove, City of	Rice Lake Neighborhood Ash Tree Project	1	\$82,825.00
Minneapolis Park &	Minneapolis target area ash removal	1	\$500,000.00
Recreation Board	completion and replanting project		
Minnetonka, City of	Minnetonka Tree Planting Program	1	\$305,030.00
Mounds View, City of	Judicial Ditch 5 Tree Restoration	1	\$246,399.37
Oakdale, City of	Community Tree Planting- Diseased Ash tree removal and replacement tree planting in public spaces and right of ways.	1	\$174,542.56
Osseo, City of	City of Osseo Infected Ash Tree Removal and Healthy Tree Canopy Cultivation in an Extreme Heat Region	2	\$134,322.00
Plymouth, City of	Cool Canopies for Communities	2	\$135,918.00
Ramsey County	The Pierce Butler Route Tree Canopy Improvement Project: Addressing the need for a reduction of extreme heat island effects, increasing equitable access to shade and strengthening vital pollinator habitat.	1	\$171,050.00
Ramsey, City of	Majesty of the Commons - Ash Replacement and Community Collaborative	1	\$84,255.00

Roseville, City of	City of Roseville EAB Mitigation	1	\$277,060.00
St Louis Park, City of	Park Canopy Restoration Project	1	\$72,383.50
Vadnais Heights, City of	Vadnais Heights Urban Canopy Program	1	\$220,196.40
Wayzata, City of	Ongoing Ash Replacement - City of Wayzata	2	\$13,874.93
West St Paul, City of	West St. Paul Tree Canopy Improvement Project	1	\$326,250.00
White Bear Lake, City of	Lakewood Hills Ash Tree Removal and Replacement	1	\$317,626.00
White Bear Township	Community Tree Planting Grant 2025	2	\$80,000.00

Combined Expected Deliverables and Project Map

Deliverables			
Trees Remove	Trees Removed		
2219	Number of Ash or other diseased/hazard trees or stumps removed		
Trees Planted	Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
520	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat		
703	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70th percentile)		
1426	facing <u>both</u> issues above		
2479	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues		
5128	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)		

Counties: Anoka, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, and Washington

Districts: 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, and 15

Map: Census Block Groups where grant activities will take place



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Grant # Funding Type: Applicant: Project Name:	SG- State General Fund City of Anoka Sunny Acres Area Urban Forest Restoration and Enhancement Project
Project Location(s) City: County: Council District:	Anoka Anoka 9

Project Description

The project will focus on removal of 43 diseased ASH trees located on City right of way. Replant 100 trees from the designated species list to help re-establish the urban forest within the designated project area.

Deliverables			
Trees Remove	Trees Removed		
43	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed		
Trees Planted	Trees Planted in Census Block Groups…		
	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat		
50	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70th percentile)		
50	facing <u>both</u> issues above		
	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues		
100	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)		

Use of Funds	
\$6,500	Materials: Trees
\$3,280	Materials: Planting Supplies
\$3,920	Equipment
\$14,400	Internal Labor
\$55,000	External Labor
\$83,100	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant # Funding Type: Applicant:	SG- State General Fund City of Blaine
Project Name:	Remove and replace 39 ash trees in priority neighborhoods within the city
Project Location(s)	
City:	Blaine
County:	Anoka
Council District:	10

Project Description

Remove 39 dead, diseased, or otherwise hazardous ash trees located on city land in high priority areas of Blaine. 39 trees to then be planted in public parks to avoid any future utility conflicts and maximize the lifespan and success of the planting.

Deliverables	Deliverables		
Trees Remov	Trees Removed		
39	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed		
Trees Planted	Trees Planted in Census Block Groups…		
	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat		
31	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70 th percentile)		
8	… facing <u>both</u> issues above		
	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues		
39	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)		

Use of Funds

Use of Funds	
\$30,332	Materials: Trees
	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
\$15,798	Internal Labor
\$48,750	External Labor
\$94,880	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant # Funding Type: Applicant: Project Name:	SG- State General Fund City of Brooklyn Center Brooklyn Center Right-of-Way and Heritage Center Canopy Improvements
Project Location(s) City: County: Council District:	Brooklyn Center Hennepin 8

Project Description

Remove 54 ash trees along Brooklyn Center rights-of-way and replace them with 54 new trees. Additionally, 19 green ash trees were removed from the Brooklyn Center Heritage Center, their stumps remain in tree pits/grates. These stumps will be removed, and the soil amended before replanting 19 new trees. This will help mitigate the risks of hazardous and diseased trees while improving the overall ecological health of Brooklyn Center.

Deliverables		
Trees Remov	Trees Removed	
73	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
11	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
28	<u>only</u> experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70 th percentile)	
25	… facing <u>both</u> issues above	
9	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues	
73	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$32,850	Materials: Trees
	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
	Internal Labor
\$109,500	External Labor
\$142,350	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant #	SG-
Funding Type:	State G
Applicant:	City of
Project Name:	Grow U
Project Location(s) City:	Coon Ra
County:	Anoka
Council District:	9

SG-State General Fund **City of Coon Rapids** Grow Urban Coon Rapids Coon Rapids Anoka

Project Description

Remove and replant 70 boulevard ash trees within the identified SDI neighborhood in Coon Rapids. The neighborhood consists of high density housing with many impermeable surfaces and is adjacent to a creek. The removal of these large dying ash trees will keep the streets safe, and the planting of new trees will help filter surface runoff along with all the other benefits trees provide.

Deliverables		
Trees Remov	Trees Removed	
70	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
70	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70th percentile)	
	… facing <u>both</u> issues above	
	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues	
70	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds

Use of Funds	
\$24,500	Materials: Trees
	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
	Internal Labor
\$70,000	External Labor
\$94,500	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant #	SG-
Funding Type:	State General Fund
Applicant:	City of Maple Grove
Project Name:	Rice Lake Neighborhood Ash Tree Project
Project Location(s)	
City:	Maple Grove
County:	Hennepin
Council District:	1

Project Description

This project involves the removal and replacement of 50 ash trees in an elevated SDI census block, and the planting of 25 new trees along walking paths near senior housing in an elevated LST census block.

The project aims to mitigate hazards from EAB while also creating a more diverse and resilient urban canopy and reducing the urban heat island effect.

Deliverables		
Trees Remov	Trees Removed	
50	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
25	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
50	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70 th percentile)	
	facing <u>both</u> issues above	
	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues	
75	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$23,625	Materials: Trees
\$550	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
	Internal Labor
\$58,650	External Labor
\$82,825	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant # Funding Type: Applicant: Project Name: Project Location(s)	SG- State General Fund Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Targeted Ash Removal Completion and Replanting Project
City:	Minneapolis
County:	Hennepin
Council District:	6,7

Project Description

Targeted 1:1 stump removal and tree replacement in the areas of Minneapolis with census block groups of vulnerable residents and residents that experience heat island effects.

Deliverables		
Trees Remov	Trees Removed	
250	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
650	Number of diseased/hazard non-Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
	<u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
	<u>only</u> experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70 th percentile)	
900	facing <u>both</u> issues above	
	experiencing <u>neither</u> of these issues	
900	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	5
\$94,401	Materials: Trees
	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
	Internal Labor
\$360,006	External Labor
\$454,407	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant #	SG-
Funding Type:	State General Fund
Applicant:	City of Minnetonka
Project Name:	Minnetonka Tree Planting Program
Project Location(s)	
City:	Minnetonka
County:	Hennepin
Council District:	3

Project Description

The Minnetonka Tree Planting Program will remove 467 hazardous ash trees in vulnerable areas, replace them with 2,836 climate resilient trees, and engage the community. The effort improves safety, equity, and canopy health in areas most impacted by EAB.

Deliverables		
Trees Remov	Trees Removed	
467	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
366	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70th percentile)	
37	… facing <u>both</u> issues above	
2433	experiencing <u>neither</u> of these issues	
2836	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$49,790	Materials: Trees
\$12,840	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
	Internal Labor
\$214,585	External Labor
\$277,215	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant # Funding Type: Applicant: Project Name:	SG- State General Fund City of Oakdale Diseased ash tree removal and replacement tree planting in public spaces and rights of way
Project Location(s) City: County: Council District:	Oakdale Washington 13

Project Description

This project will remove 114 ash trees from Oakdale, 109 from high-SDI and 5 from elevated LST census block groups. 114 native and climate-adapted trees will be planted increasing canopy resilience and increasing resident health.

Deliverables		
Trees Remov	Trees Removed	
114	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted	Trees Planted in Census Block Groups	
5	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
109	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70 th percentile)	
	facing <u>both</u> issues above	
	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues	
114	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$12,861	Materials: Trees
\$2,312	Materials: Planting Supplies
\$7,860	Equipment
\$27,820	Internal Labor
\$123,690	External Labor
\$174,543	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant # Funding Type: Applicant:	SG- State General Fund City of Ramsey
Project Name:	Majesty of the Commons – Ash Replacement and Community Collaboration
Project Location(s)	
City:	Ramsey
County:	Anoka
Council District:	9

Project Description

The city is grateful to Metropolitan Council in supporting the legislative appropriation to address the devastating loss of communities' tree canopy due to Emerald Ash Borer. Ramsey's project will be an opportunity to communicate to residents the importance of diversification of the urban forest for disease and forest pest resistance, through this high visibility tree planting endeavor, establishing 129 trees in key locations in the commons.

Deliverables		
Trees Remov	Trees Removed	
9	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70 th percentile)	
129	facing <u>both</u> issues above	
	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues	
129	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$44,505	Materials: Trees
\$2,470	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
\$18,680	Internal Labor
\$18,600	External Labor
\$84,255	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant # Funding Type: Applicant: Project Name: Project Location(s)	SG- State General Fund Ramsey County Pierce Butler Route Tree Canopy Improvement Project
City:	Saint Paul
County:	Ramsey
Council District:	14

Project Description

County staff, in collaboration with community partners, propose to enhance tree canopy and achieve goals set forth in Frogtown Green's concept plan, the County's Climate Equity Action Plan, and the City of Saint Paul's Climate Action & Resilience Plan.

Deliverables		
Trees Remove	Trees Removed	
44	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
6	Other diseased/hazard trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70 th percentile)	
150	facing <u>both</u> issues above	
	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues	
150	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$26,250	Materials: Trees
\$8,850	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
	Internal Labor
\$135,950	External Labor
\$171,050	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant #	SG-
Funding Type:	State General Fund
Applicant:	City of Roseville
Project Name:	EAB Mitigation
Project Location(s)	
City:	Roseville
County:	Ramsey
Council District:	10

Project Description

Removal of between 199 and 208 hazard ash trees near public use areas, with replanting of between 200 and 251 climate-resilient trees in high-vulnerability or extreme heat areas, aligning with Roseville's long-term EAB response and urban forestry equity goals.

Deliverables	Deliverables	
Trees Remov	Trees Removed	
199	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
54	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
146	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70 th percentile)	
	facing <u>both</u> issues above	
	experiencing <u>neither</u> of these issues	
200	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$30,000	Materials: Trees
\$5,000	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
	Internal Labor
\$216,796	External Labor
\$251,796	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant #	SG-
Funding Type:	State General Fund
Applicant:	City of Saint Louis Park
Project Name:	Park Canopy Restoration Project
Project Location(s) City: County: Council District:	Saint Louis Park Hennepin 8

Project Description

The City of St. Louis Park is in an emerald ash borer generally infested area. City staff and budgets cannot keep up with the need for ash tree removal and replacement, especially in parks. This project focuses on removal and replacement of ash trees in parks that are within SDI and/or LST areas.

Deliverables		
Trees Remove	Trees Removed	
31	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
66	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
12	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70th percentile)	
15	facing <u>both</u> issues above	
	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues	
93	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$13,950	Materials: Trees
\$3,208	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
	Internal Labor
\$55,225	External Labor
\$72,383	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant #	SG-
Funding Type:	State General Fund
Applicant:	City of Vadnais Heights
Project Name:	Vadnais Heights Urban Canopy Program
Project Location(s)	vadnais neights ofban oanopy i rogram
City:	Vadnais Heights
County:	Ramsey
Council District:	10

Project Description

The City of Vadnais Heights will remove 99 Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)-infested ash trees and plant 99 new, diverse shade trees to restore the City's urban canopy in high SDI and LST census tracts. Grant funding enables the City to complete removal and replanting quickly. Community members have been engaged and have committed to caring for new trees for a period of three years, ensuring their long-term success. This project will create a safer, greener, and more resilient Vadnais Heights.

Deliverables		
Trees Remov	Trees Removed	
99	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
79	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70th percentile)	
20	… facing <u>both</u> issues above	
	experiencing <i>neither</i> of these issues	
99	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$78,000	Materials: Trees
	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
\$8,546	Internal Labor
\$133,650	External Labor
\$220,196	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT

Grant # Funding Type: Applicant: Project Name:	SG- State General Fund City of West St Paul West St. Paul Tree Canopy Improvement Project
Project Location(s)	west of 1 au free oanopy improvement roject
City:	West St Paul
County:	Dakota
Council District:	15

Project Description

West St. Paul seeks funding to restore and expand our declining tree canopy, focusing on parks, playgrounds, and boulevards in disadvantaged neighborhoods. This project addresses urgent environmental, health, and equity concerns caused by tree loss and extreme heat, especially in areas most affected by EAB. Funding is critical to protect vulnerable populations and build a more resilient, livable community.

Deliverables		
Trees Remove	Trees Removed	
75	Number of Ash trees or stumps removed	
Trees Planted in Census Block Groups		
7	… <u>only</u> experiencing extreme heat	
114	only experiencing high community vulnerability levels (SDI>70th percentile)	
92	facing <u>both</u> issues above	
37	experiencing <u>neither</u> of these issues	
250	TOTAL TREES PLANTED (sum of categories above)	

Use of Funds	
\$150,000	Materials: Trees
\$18,750	Materials: Planting Supplies
	Equipment
\$15,250	Internal Labor
\$112,500	External Labor
\$296,500	TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT