

## ECONOMICS OF URBAN FORESTRY IN MISSOURI

Trees have a tremendous impact on local economies and our quality-of-life.

Here's a peek at how urban trees in your state are contributing.



**7,729** people are employed as a result of urban forestry activities in Missouri.



Communities in Missouri enrolled in Tree City USA® invested an

average of \$9.01 per

resident for tree planting and care compared to \$3.00 per

**resident** in non-participating communities nationally.



Urban trees in the state contribute **\$1.6 billion** in community-wide environmental benefits each year, such as carbon sequestration, air pollution removal, and avoided stormwater runoff.

The urban forestry sector in Missouri has an annual sales and employment footprint

worth \$842 million.



Tree cover at private homes adds

**\$541 million** annually to property values across Missouri.





