

## **ECONOMICS OF URBAN FORESTRY** IN RHODE ISLAND

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.



**1,371** people are employed as a result of urban forestry activities in Rhode Island.



Communities in Rhode Island enrolled in Tree City USA® invested an average of \$5.37 per

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

resident in non-participating communities nationally.



Urban trees in the state contribute \$318 million in community-wide environmental benefits each year, such as carbon sequestration, air pollution removal, and avoided stormwater runoff.



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

worth \$185 million.



Tree cover at private homes adds

\$191 million annually to property values across Rhode Island.





