

## ECONOMICS OF URBAN FORESTRY IN VIRGINIA

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.



**14,939** people are employed as a result of urban forestry activities in Virginia.



Communities in Virginia enrolled in Tree City USA® invested an

average of \$5.98 per

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

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



Urban trees in the state contribute **\$3.9 billion** in community-wide environmental benefits each year, such as carbon sequestration, air pollution removal, and avoided stormwater runoff.

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

worth \$1.7 billion.



Tree cover at private homes adds **\$1.4 billion** annually to property values across Virginia.





