

South Sioux City



1101 Foundry Road, South Sioux City, Nebraska

The project

As a city, we decided 8-10 years ago to start planting trees because of the problems we knew we were in for with our urban forest. We were suffering from the effects of iron chlorosis in the maple trees when we found out about **EAB**. Between ash and maple trees, we were looking at close to **50% of our urban forest being lost**. We have planted many trees in parks in the last few years, so we started a program to retree our streets. In the last two years, we have planted **350 trees** along our streets where we have lost trees due to disease, construction, or planted in new developments. This program is very well received and our residents are happy to care for these trees, as this project is a great way to improve our urban forests. We think this is a very successful program and we will continue to do it as long as we feel it is needed.



The city uses a portable water tank to irrigate the new trees.

What we learned

- 1 It is harder to give away trees than we thought it would be.
- 2 Free trees seemed too good to be true, but it's easier to get folks excited now that the word is out.



Ironwood
Ostrya virginiana



Common Hackberry
Celtis occidentalis



Autumn Gold Ginkgo
Ginkgo biloba



Honeylocust
Gleditsia triacanthos

Who's involved & costs

- Nebraska Statewide Arboretum
- South Sioux City Parks and Recreation
- Neighborhood residents

\$9,400	PAID BY GREENER TOWNS
\$--	PAID BY OTHER GRANTS
\$--	PAID LOCALLY
\$9,400	DONATED TIME/GOODS
\$18,800	PROJECT VALUE



Free trees going in front of new houses in a development.

ReTree South Sioux City

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