

## H&NS e-Newsletter: Training & Engagement Opportunities: 09/22/2022



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## Upcoming Events and Engagement Opportunities

### City of Charlotte offers \$3,000 matching grants for neighborhood tree care projects – Apply by October 1

Charlotte takes pride in having one of the most expansive tree canopies in the country. We couldn't achieve this without the hard work of Charlotte residents like you! In order to celebrate the rich biodiversity found in our urban forests, educate the public on how to take action to maintain our canopy, and protect our forest for years to come, Landscape Management and Housing & Neighborhoods are proud to present this year's [Tree Care Grant](#). Eligible neighborhood organizations citywide can apply for matching grants of up to \$3,000 for tree care initiatives including canopy assessment, ivy removal, small tree/ sapling pruning, and tree focused education and community events.

For more information, contact Jonathan Hill at [jonathan.hill@charlottenc.gov](mailto:jonathan.hill@charlottenc.gov).

### Volunteers Needed! Tree by Tree Volunteer Tree Inventory

Charlotte is known for its lush, urban tree canopy that covers nearly 46% of the city. In fact, it's recognized as one of the best urban forests in the nation. To help protect and preserve Charlotte as the City of Trees, we are launching the City of Charlotte Tree by Tree volunteer tree inventory on October 5, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

We need your help! We are looking for a group of volunteers to be part of a tree inventory program to maintain the vibrant forest that has crowned Charlotte the "City of Trees."

As a group of volunteers, you will walk through one of Charlotte's neighborhoods and add trees to the Tree by Tree map. If you're not sure what that means, visit [Tree by Tree](#) and watch the videos to learn more. Don't worry, the City of Charlotte Landscape Management's expert staff will be there to help on inventory day!

If you are passionate about our city's tree conservation, now is your chance to ensure our trees stay beautiful and thriving for future generations.

Sign up to volunteer at [We Inventory Trees](#). For questions contact Natasha Warren, Program Coordinator with City of Charlotte Landscape Management at [landscapemanagement@charlottenc.gov](mailto:landscapemanagement@charlottenc.gov).

### Paper Bag Exchange - Saturday, September 24

Leaf season is almost here! Get prepared by exchanging your plastic bags for paper bags or just come pick up free paper bags this Saturday, September 24, from 7 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at 1200 Otts Street.

Remember, yard waste will only be collected in paper bags or containers weighing less than 75 pounds. Don't miss out on this opportunity to get free paper bags.

We look forward to seeing you this Saturday, September 24 from 7 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at 1200 Otts Street!

### Training on Demand: Emergency Preparedness

Did you know September is National Emergency Preparedness Month? This workshop will help you understand, prepare for and respond appropriately to disasters. Learn general emergency preparedness including how to develop a family emergency plan, what essential supplies are needed for a family survival kit and how you can support your neighbors in the event of an emergency.

If you missed the workshop, [view the replay](#). This and other trainings can be found on the Community Engagement [Training on Demand](#) page.

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**For your consideration**

[Department of Education Deputy Secretary Visits Charlotte to Learn More About Mayor's Youth Employment Program](#)

[City Of Charlotte and LendingTree Announce Partnership To Grow Minority-Owned Businesses](#)



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