#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are looking for volunteers to help bring trees and green space to Carnegie. Volunteering can be as simple as helping to maintain a planter or as involved as you like. Tree Tender Classes are offered year round. Volunteers are needed for input and service. Meeting schedule on Carnegie Borough web site.



Trees bring life to communities.

Trees are coming to the Borough. Let us know if you would like to adopt a tree.

#### COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

The Carnegie Shade Tree Commission is made up of three business owners and three residents, as well as a Borough Council liaison. All volunteer their time to work to create awareness of the importance of trees and greenery in our community.

Together they will work to find grants and organizations that will help the town to preserve and protect what we have, while also working to improve and enhance the greenery of Carnegie.

These volunteers will make recommendations regarding the preservation, maintenance, planting, transplanting and removal of plants, shrubs and trees within the Borough. In addition, they coordinate the Main Street Planter program and approve the trimming or removal of Borough trees.

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# CARNEGIE SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Working to make Carnegie a beautiful place to call home.

## Planter & Tree Adoption Program





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#### OUR MISSION

Our mission is to preserve and enhance the greenery in Carnegie, while creating prosperity and beauty for our community.

Landscaping helps to shape the feel of a town. Improving the landscape of a town has proven to attract more people, creating more opportunities for businesses.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

- Trees and plants make an area beautiful, helping to attract tourists and customers.
- Trees reduce noise levels and save energy.
- Trees and plants help drain off excess water so as to reduce soil erosion.

#### **CURRENT FOCUS**

We are working with Tree Vitalize, a branch of the Western PA Conservancy, to obtain a grant which will provide 25 new trees to Carnegie in the first year. More will come.

We obtained a \$4,000 grant from the Pennsylvania American Water Company to plant a Rain Garden beside the Historical Society to help with water run off. In addition this grant will sponsor a mural and additional artistic works that will help to feature Carnegie in a positive light.

We reorganized the Main Street Planters using an architectural landscape design to better enhance the beauty of our downtown business district. We are currently looking for businesses and residents to adopt planters to help with planter maintenance.

#### FUTURE PHASE FOCUS

As the Commission gains experience and support, it will expand it's focus to include the local parks as well as residential areas.

A Street Tree Inventory is on the list of projects the Commission will work to complete. The Inventory will help with future grants and educational programs.

#### ADOPT A PLANTER PROGRAM

This year the Carnegie Borough provided all of the plants for the planters. The Shade Tree Commission will coordinate an "Adopt a Planter Program" that will be FREE to businesses and organizations. It is our hope that through this adoption program we can encourage businesses to assist by simple maintenance of the planters in front or near their business. We have moved planters to locations where they will be maintained and where they will have the most positive and visible impact on our main streets.

What do we want from you?

- ⇒ Can you water a planter if there is no rain?
- $\Rightarrow$  Can you remove the dead blooms?
- ⇒ Can you keep the trash out of the planters?

IF YOU ANSWERED "YES" TO ANY OR ALL OF THESE QUES-TIONS, WE NEED YOUR HELP! HELP US TO CREATE AN ATTRACTIVE "LANDSCAPE" FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

CARNEGIE SHADE TREE COMMISSION TO ADOPT A PLANTER. 412-276-1414 OR CARNEGIESHADETREE@YAHOO,COM