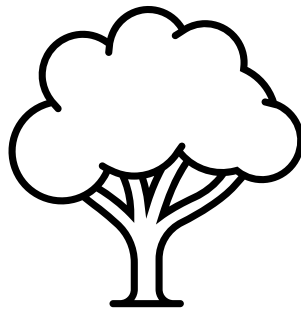




City of Box Elder
Parks Legacy Program
Tree Options



People of all ages visit Box Elder's trails and playgrounds every day, and the city parks are host to numerous events and other community gatherings. Your tree will be recognized and appreciated by visitors for decades to come. The Tree option is a way for community members to sponsor their group, business, organization or to memorialize and honor the memory of a friend or loved one within the City of Box Elder's Park system. There are no eligibility requirements for participation.

Memorial Tree Option

The Memorial option allows friends and family to honor the memory of a loved one with a park tree in one of Box Elder's beautiful parks or along the trail system. Dedicating a park tree provides a lasting remembrance in honor of a loved one and enhances the meaning of a tree for park visitors. The gift is also a valuable contribution to the community's park system.

Sponsorship Tree Option

The Sponsorship option allows groups, businesses, and organizations to sponsor a tree in one of Box Elder's beautiful parks or along the trail system. While providing recognition for your group, business, or organization it also enhances the leisure space for park visitors and is a valuable contribution to the community's park system.

Can I choose the location?

Yes! The city has designated areas where trees can be installed within our parks and trails system. You will work with Parks staff to determine placement. A list of approved planting locations will be provided by the Box Elder Parks Division and is in adherence to the Box Elder Tree Planting Plan. Site-specific considerations include proximity to permanent structures, appropriate distance from overhead powerlines and underground utilities, lines of sight, future development plans, park usage, soil type, etc.

Species/Size requirements

A list of approved tree species will be provided by the Box Elder Parks Division and is in adherence to the Box Elder Tree Planting Plan.

Planting seasons

Trees will be planted in either spring or fall. The Participant(s) must contact the Box Elder Parks Division prior to April 1 for a spring planting and prior to September 1 for a fall planting.

Spring planting season: Mid-April – early June

Fall planting season: Mid-September – early November

Care and maintenance

The Box Elder Parks Division will care for and maintain the Tree as it would any other tree planted in the park system. This includes regular watering on an "as needed" basis, mulching, staking,

caging, pruning, and weeding around the planting site. Trees will be guaranteed for 6 (six) months from the date of planting and will be replaced at no cost with a similar tree, should the tree fail to establish.

What is the cost?

Tree Memorial (\$800 per tree)

Tree Sponsorship (\$800 per tree)

How do I request a tree?

Fill out the application (link on the website).

Questions? Contact the Parks Department at parks@boxeldersd.gov or 605-923-1404.

FAQs

Can I decorate my tree?

No. Any decorations placed in or around the tree will be removed by Parks staff and either returned to the owner (if able to contact the participant) or disposed of in a proper manner.

1. What if my tree dies?

If your tree fails to survive for 6 months from the date of planting, the tree will be replaced at no cost to the participant. Trees that fail to survive after 6 months may be reviewed by the Parks Superintendent on a case-by-case basis.

2. What if future development in the park requires my tree to be moved?

If a tree planting site creates interference with future development plans, Box Elder Parks division will attempt to contact the Participant(s) and discuss options for relocation. Box Elder Parks division reserves the right to transplant or remove any tree as necessary, at the discretion of the Parks Superintendent or his/her designee.

Contact Us

For more information, please contact the Parks Superintendent at (605) 923-1404 or email parks@boxeldersd.gov.

The Parks Legacy Program will be administered by the Box Elder Parks Division under the direction of the Public Works Director. Participation in the program is voluntary and subject to the discretion of the Public Works Director or his/her designee. City is not responsible for replacement if vandalized.