



# City of Wayne Newsletter

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## RE-TREE WAYNE APPLICATION FORM

This is a program to encourage property owners to plant shade trees on their private property in order to reduce energy costs within the City of Wayne. Each owner will be reimbursed for 100% of the purchase price up to \$50.00 per tree. Trees can be purchased from any commercial supplier, but must be selected from the following list of species: Oaks, Maples (excluding Silver Maple), Lindens, Sycamore, and Hackberry. Other species of large shade trees may be acceptable but must be approved by calling 375-1300 first. **Ash varieties are not eligible for this program.**

### Step 1: **THIS IS A STATE LAW!**

Call Diggers Hotline to request a utility locate of your property. The number is 1-800-331-5666. **You must wait 48 hours after calling before you can dig.** They will give you a ticket number. **You must write that ticket number here:** \_\_\_\_\_.

### Step 2:

Purchase and plant your trees. Videos on proper planting and care techniques can be found at the following website: [www.arborday.org/trees/video/howtoplant.cfm](http://www.arborday.org/trees/video/howtoplant.cfm). Plant your trees according to the following guidelines:

- ◆ Trees must be planted at least 4 feet from any concrete surface.
- ◆ Trees must be planted at least 20 feet from any overhead electric wires.
- ◆ Trees must be planted at least 15 feet from any light pole.
- ◆ Trees must be planted at least 10 feet from any fire hydrant.
- ◆ Trees must be planted at least 5 feet away from any underground utility such as water, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, gas, electric, or phone lines.

**Important:** *Any tree not meeting these guidelines will not be eligible for reimbursement by the City. **Any tree planted without a utility locate will not be reimbursed!***

### Step 3:

Fill out the following information and return this application form to the City Clerk's office. **You must attach a copy of the receipt and the tag identifying the species for each tree that was planted in order to be reimbursed for the trees.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION IN WAYNE

WHERE TREES WERE PLANTED: \_\_\_\_\_

### Step 4:

City personnel will visit the planting site to verify the location and type of trees planted. A check for reimbursement up to \$50.00 per tree will be mailed to the above address indicated by the owner.

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### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

April 6th  
April 20th

### **NOTICE TO WAYNE UTILITY CUSTOMERS**

**City Hall is now open. However, we are still limiting the number of people into the building, as well as keeping the 6 feet of distance between the public.**

**We are still encouraging utility payments be made by using the City's on-line bill pay services or by calling (402) 375-1733 to pay by debit/credit card. Checks and cash (to closest dollar amount) can still be dropped off in the two drop boxes located in the front and back of City Hall.**

**Thank you!!**

## Department News ~



**DISCOVER A NEW WAY TO PAY!**

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- Pay via phone, text, website, or mobile app
- Make a one-time payment, schedule a payment, or sign up for auto pay
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**WISE WORDS**

“If you are not willing to learn, no one can help you. If you are determined to learn, no one can stop you.”

~Zig Ziglar

## Community Activity Center ~

The Community Activity Center has a new Website:

<http://cac.cityofwayne.org>

You can create an account (If you have a current membership at the Activity Center, you already have an account set up). The website is smooth, efficient, and user friendly!!

It allows you to:

- ◆ Manage your CAC account;
- ◆ View facility check-ins;
- ◆ View your purchase history;

- ◆ Sign up for new memberships;
- ◆ Register for youth and adult league; and
- ◆ View facility rentals and availability, and rent out facilities online.

You can also receive email and/or text updates regarding your membership and facility closings, etc.!!

Please call the CAC for questions/assistance at 402 375-4803.

**TRANSFER STATION HOURS**

Monday & Friday

9:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

Tuesday

11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Saturday

8:00 am.—Noon

Or by appointment  
Tuesday, Wednesday  
and Thursday

## Green Notes ~ Take Action for Earth Day!



Every April 22nd on Earth Day, we are reminded how valuable our planet is and how important it is to protect our limited natural resources. Let's take action this month—and always—to show our commitment to sustainability.

**Take Our Survey.** The Wayne Green Team wants to know how our community uses the Wayne Recycling & Trash Center (formerly transfer station). Do you know what can be recycled there? Do you want different hours? Help us improve the RTC by taking our brief survey at <https://arcg.is/WTafi>, [in English or Spanish](#). [Paper copies are also available at Wayne City Hall.](#)

**Attend our Zero Waste Chamber Coffee at the Library, Friday, April 23rd, at 10 a.m.** Join us virtually on Facebook Live Wayne, NE or in person at the Wayne Public Library (masks required). You'll learn the latest on how to reduce, reuse, and recycle in Wayne.

**Watch our free Earth Day movie, *The Biggest Little Farm*, at the Majestic Theatre, Sunday, April 25th, 7 p.m.** Join us at the Majestic for a free screening of the uplifting documentary, *The Biggest Little Farm*. The film chronicles the eight-year quest of a young couple as they trade city living for 200 acres of barren farmland and a dream to harvest in harmony with nature. *The Biggest Little Farm* provides us all a vital blueprint for better living and a healthier planet. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for exhibits and raffle, and the 91-minute film begins at 7 p.m. Raffle tickets are one for \$5 or five for \$20 and raise funds for the WSC Green Team.

This free event is hosted by the City of Wayne Green Team, the WSC Green Team, and the A. Jewell Schock Museum of Natural History.

For more tips on the Green Path to the Good Life, like the Wayne Green Team on Facebook or visit [www.cityofwayne.org/greenteam](http://www.cityofwayne.org/greenteam).

The Fair Housing Act protects people from discrimination when they are renting, buying, or securing financing for any housing. The prohibitions specifically cover discrimination because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability and the presence of children.

If you believe you may be a victim of housing discrimination, contact HUD 1-800-669-9777 or your local Fair Housing representative:

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**YOUR CHOICE. YOUR RIGHT. YOUR HOME**

