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Village of Deerfield Awarded Urban Forestry Funding

DEERFIELD, IL – The Village of Deerfield was awarded a \$25,000 grant to complete a tree inventory and develop a management plan for its urban forest.

The funds were provided by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service through the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Urban and Community Forestry Grand Program, and administered by The Morton Arboretum and the <u>Chicago Region Trees Initiative (CRTI)</u>.

The grant provides the Village with a better understanding of the urban forest area that we are managing by revealing the estimated number of trees, their size, condition and species. The inventory will also identify opportunities to increase planting, and will inform the development of a comprehensive, long-term urban forest management plan. The inventory will begin in early May and continue until September. During this time, all parkway trees will be assessed.

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