

TREE PATROL



DESCRIPTION:

Upper Dublin Township Parks are currently home to 3,000+ tree plantings with more on the way!

Trees improve air and water quality, prevent soil erosion, control stormwater runoff, provide essential habitat and food for wildlife, and improve human mental and physical health by reducing stress and providing shade.

UD C.A.R.E.S. is seeking volunteers to “adopt” and independently care for some of these trees!

WHAT IT MEANS TO PATROL:

After receiving training: perform routine maintenance on the tree plantings, which includes: clearing weeds or invasive vines from trees, and checking tubes, cages, and guards.

TREE TUBES: Picking up and fixing downed or leaning tubes, pounding in/ replacing posts, installing new bird nets, attaching new zip ties, removing weeds from within tubes.

TREE CAGES: Fixing leaning cages, pounding in posts, cutting vegetation from cage, removing and clearing vegetation from around tree.

TREE GUARDS: Removing invasive vines from tree limbs, checking/resecuring guards if they are too tight.



There are two types of areas with tree plantings:

LANDSCAPED AREAS: Plantings are located in parks that are maintained for human active recreation. Trees are off-trail, but within mowed areas.

NATURALIZED AREAS: Plantings are located in parks that are maintained as natural habitat, including native meadows and forests. These areas can include high grasses, stinging or biting insects, or thorns.

HOW MUCH OF A COMMITMENT IS NEEDED?

We're asking for a one year of commitment, which will involve visiting your trees 3 to 4 times a year to help keep them happy and healthy. Although you can visit your trees and care for them as often as you'd like! We will just ask that you record your hours.

SITES UP FOR ADOPTION:

PARK TYPE	LOCATION	ADDRESS
Landscaped Areas	Franklin Park	Franklin Dr
	Mondauk Commons	1451 Dillon Road
	SPARK Athletic Fields	725 Susquehanna Road
	Twining Valley Park	1400 Twining Road
	Veterans Park	Highland Ave and Farm Lane
	Williams Park	720 Wright Dr

Naturalized Areas	Aidenn Lair Park	1725 Aidenn Lair Road
	Burn Brae Park	3204 Burn Brae Drive
	Mondauk Commons	1451 Dillon Road
	Pine Run Park	1739 Jarrettown Road
	Rose Valley Preserve	1626 E Butler Pike
	Tannerie Run Park	730 Susquehanna Road
	Twining Valley Park	1400 Twining Road

Many of these sites have hundreds of trees – you can choose however many you feel comfortable with.

IF INTERESTED:

If interested in volunteering, please contact Gabbie Berry at gberry@upperdublin.net

Prior to volunteering, Parks & Recreation staff will meet you on-site for orientation and will provide any necessary training. We will provide necessary hand tools and supplies.

