



# Urban and Community Forestry Grants - 2023 Grant Awards

Forest Service Invests \$1.5 Billion in Urban and Community Forestry Projects Nation...



Trees make a difference. Studies show that communities with access to trees and green spaces are associated with improved health outcomes, reduced crime, lower average temperatures, and an influx of other kinds of investments and new economic opportunities. Through funding from the Inflation Reduction Act, the Forest Service is making historic investments in boosting the nation's tree cover in urban, suburban and rural communities nationwide. The agency has selected 385 grant proposals from entities that are working to increase equitable access to trees and green spaces, and the many benefits they provide. 100% of benefits will flow to disadvantaged communities, and funded proposals are located in all 50 states, two U.S. territories, three U.S. affiliated Pacific islands, and in several tribal communities.

## News and Announcements

- [USDA invests \\$1 billion for nearly 400 projects to expand access to trees and green spaces in communities and neighborhoods nationwide through Investing in America agenda](#)
- [Award Administration Guide](#) (PDF, 707 KB)

# Grant Awards

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✓ PENNSYLVANIA

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✓ SOUTH CAROLINA

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✓ TENNESSEE

✓ TEXAS

✓ U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

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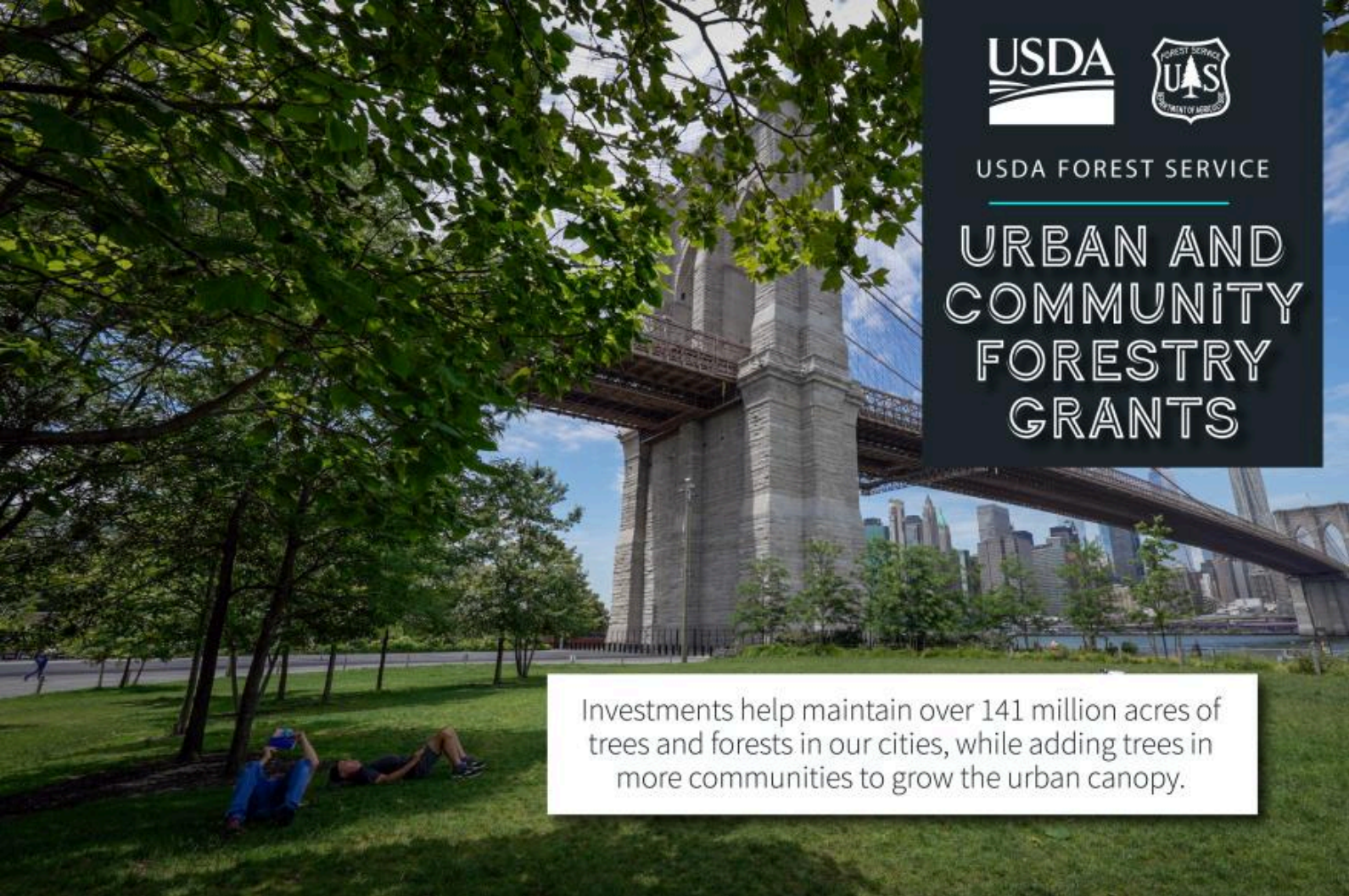
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## Fact Sheet

[Urban and Community Forestry Grants Factsheet](#) (PDF, 21 KB)

## Graphics

Graphic 1



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Investments help maintain over 141 million acres of trees and forests in our cities, while adding trees in more communities to grow the urban canopy.

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**Graphic 2**





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July 2023 was the hottest month on record globally. Trees offer a simple, but powerful solution.

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**Graphic 3**





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An expanded urban tree canopy offers communities relief in the shade from extreme heat.

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**Graphic 4**



Urban trees deliver important benefits to society: cooling communities, improving mental health and well-being, increasing property values, and creating environmental jobs.



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**Graphic 5**

Asphalt and concrete absorb and retain heat and can make extreme heat events more severe. Research has shown tree canopy cover reduces temperatures 11–19 °F compared to communities with no tree cover.



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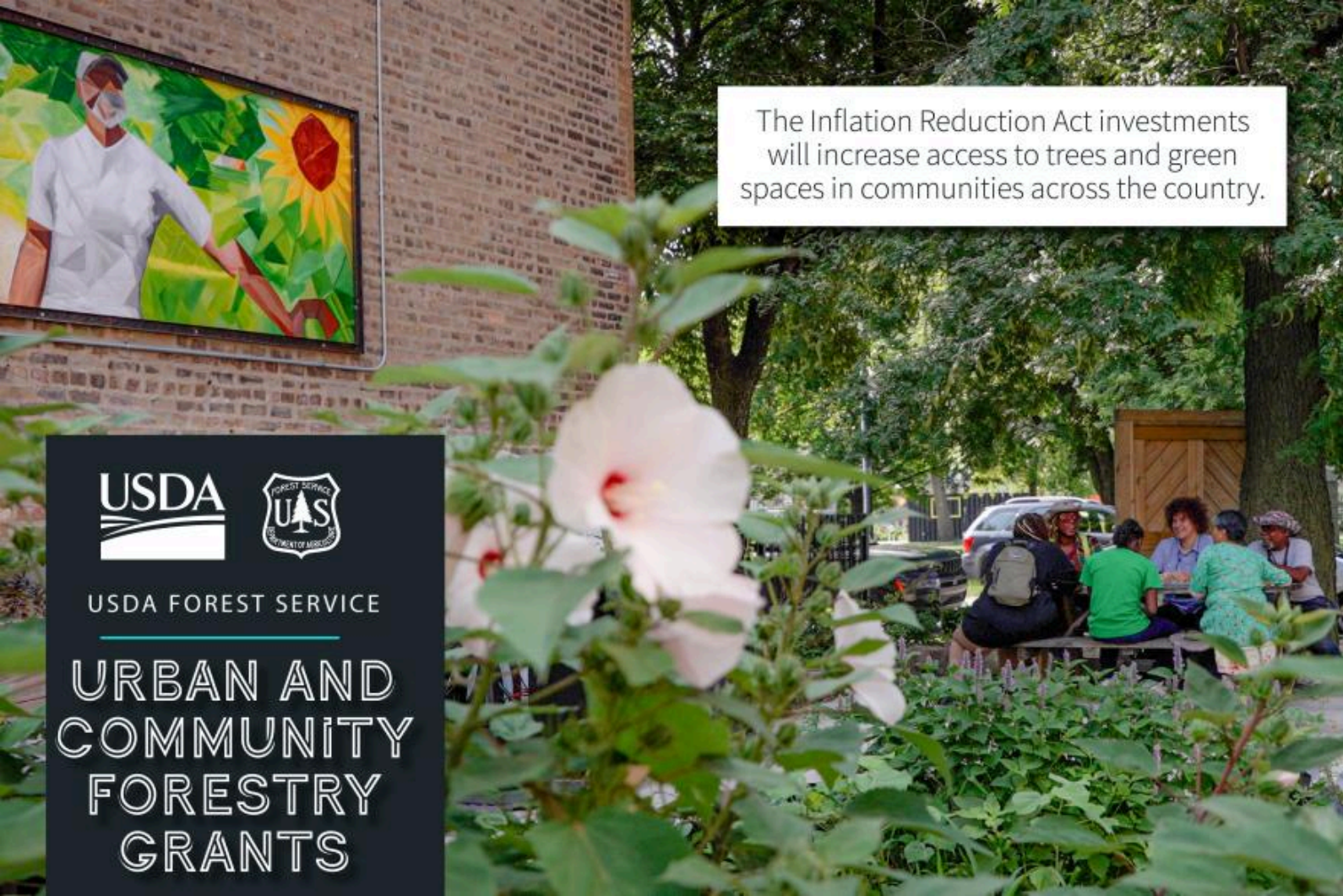
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## Graphic 6





The Inflation Reduction Act investments will increase access to trees and green spaces in communities across the country.

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Graphic 7





We are engaging youth and investing in green spaces in more communities so that future generations can enjoy the benefits that nature provide.

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**Graphic 8**





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The Forest Service awarded more than \$1 billion to community and faith-based organizations, Tribes, cities, towns, and other partners to increase equitable access to trees and nature, and all the benefits they provide.

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**Graphic 9**





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Trees need to be sited, planted, and maintained. These investments will support skilled jobs and workforce development in disadvantaged communities nationwide.

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Graphic 10



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Urban trees and forests help mitigate extreme heat, conserve energy, provide shade, absorb storm water, create wildlife habitat, and filter air and water.



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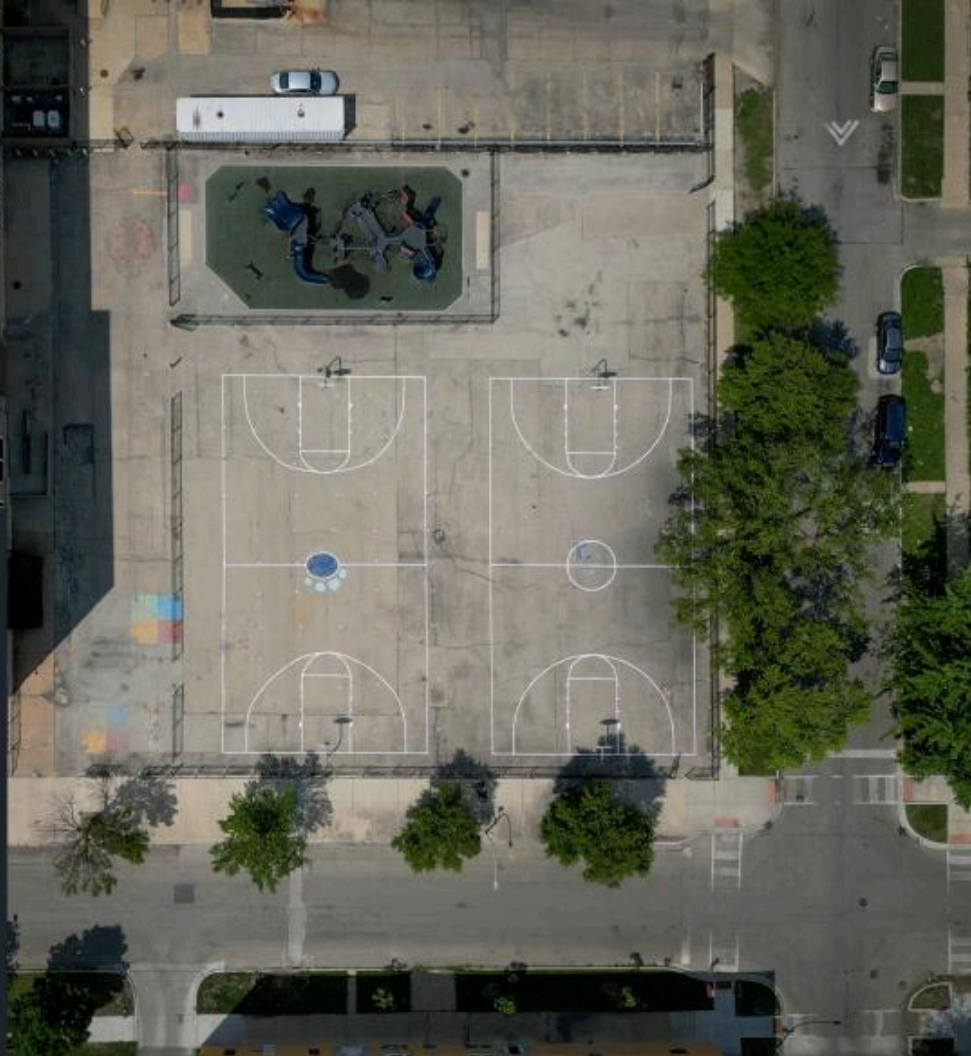


100 percent of the benefits will flow to disadvantaged communities to address the negative impacts of climate change, extreme heat, and inadequate tree canopy.



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Equitable access  
to green spaces  
and trees



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