The Value of Trees to Lakewood

- Reduce storm water run-off and the cost of water treatment.
- Trees improve water quality and help keep Lake Erie clean.
- Reduce cooling and heating costs.
- Reduce and filter air pollution.
- Generate oxygen.
- Cool streets and sidewalks.
- Provide shade in summer and protect from winds in the winter.
- Increase property values.
- Add living beauty to Lakewood’s neighborhoods.

Trees Make a World of Difference

Young Tree Care

The two most important needs for newly planted trees are water and protection. For that we need your help. Thank you!
**Young Tree Care**

- Deep water your tree at least every ten days during summer months the first two years.
- Deep watering prevents surface roots. (30-minute gentle trickle with a garden hose or build a soil/mulch berm around the tree and fill with water.)
- Keep the soil moist. When the soil is dry below the surface of the mulch, it is time to water.
- Mulch around trees protects young roots from drying out and helps prevent weeds.
- *Never* put mulch up against the tree trunk. Keep mulch 3” from trunk.
- Protect trunk from damage by weed whackers and mowers.

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**Shade trees can reduce summer cooling bills by 30%!**

**People living in communities with more tree canopy have a lower body mass index and a lower rate of heart disease.**

**Keep all mulch and landscape 3” away from trunk flare. Don’t suffocate your tree.**

**A single mature tree with a 30 foot canopy crown can intercept over 1200 gallons of rainfall annually.**

**Deep watering a young tree costs less than $1 per month.**

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Thank you for your commitment to help grow the City of Lakewood Tree Canopy. The City of Lakewood has been designated a Tree City USA community each year since 1976; the 2nd longest continuous streak in the State of Ohio.

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