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## HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT THE FUTURE OF TREES IN KNOXVILLE

Trees Knoxville has launched an initiative to strategically plan the most impactful way to incorporate trees throughout the city over the next 20 years.

A successful Urban Forest Master Plan will help Knoxville preserve, grow, and care for trees, which play a significant role in public health and environmental health.

Trees Knoxville needs to hear from residents to help develop a plan that considers Knoxville's unique challenges, priorities, and opportunities.

"Improving and growing the urban tree canopy will require a true community effort," says Trees Knoxville Chair Dale Madden, who is part of the team working on the plan.

Here are upcoming opportunities to learn more and provide feedback:

**April 11, 5-7 p.m.**  
**East Knoxville Community Open House**  
Jacob Building at Chilhowee Park  
401 Lakeside Drive

Visit the Trees Knoxville table any time during this wide-ranging open house to learn more about the Urban Forest Master Plan and provide your input about the future of Knoxville's tree canopy.

**April 19, 3-5 p.m.**  
**Urban Trees Planning Workshop**  
University of Tennessee Student Union, Ballroom A

Learn about trees in Knoxville and participate in group discussions on goals, priorities, challenges and more.

**May 11, 4-7 p.m.**  
**UFMP Open House**  
Cansler YMCA  
616 Jessamine Street

Trees in cities are vital to human health, especially as the climate warms. What does Knoxville need? Ideas to share? Come to this open-house-style event to learn more and add your two cents. Trees Knoxville will give 15-minute presentations at 5 and 6 p.m.

Other engagement options:

- **Invite Trees Knoxville to your meeting!** Trees Knoxville seeks opportunities to talk to Knoxville groups or clubs of any kind about the importance of trees and an Urban Forest Master Plan and collect input from each group. Schedule a presentation in April or May by visiting [KnoxvilleTreePlan.org](http://KnoxvilleTreePlan.org).
- **Online Survey.** Lastly, if none of these options work, we have an online survey form available at [KnoxvilleTreePlan.org](http://KnoxvilleTreePlan.org). Make sure your voice is heard.

Attendees will learn more about the Urban Master Plan process and how to engage neighbors, friends, and other residents who value trees in this important process.

Learn more and take the survey at [KnoxvilleTreePlan.org](http://KnoxvilleTreePlan.org). And find additional community event listings at [KnoxvilleTreePlan.org/get-involved.html](http://KnoxvilleTreePlan.org/get-involved.html)

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Trees Knoxville was formed in 2016 and grew out of the community's deep appreciation for trees and their many benefits. Our mission is to expand the urban canopy on both public and private land throughout Knox County. Trees Knoxville is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to planting trees, educating people, and promoting the health and well-being of our community and our environment in Knoxville and Knox County. The organization's community programs include tree planting to increase the urban canopy, creating school yard arboreta through our Canopies for Campuses program, educating volunteer foresters, and giving away trees annually to homeowners. We seek to both improve our environment and our community. For more information, please visit [www.treesknoxville.org](http://www.treesknoxville.org) or contact Trees Knoxville at [info@treesknoxville.org](mailto:info@treesknoxville.org).