



Village of

Olympia Fields

Illinois

50/50 FALL Tree Program 2025



As a recognized Tree City USA designee, the Village of Olympia Fields, in conjunction with the Beautification Committee offers the 50/50 Tree Program to its residents to help "keep Olympia Fields green."

The Village **splits the cost of the tree** with the resident, thus providing a savings of 50% on the purchase price of the tree selected. Residents may purchase up to 2 trees. **The order deadline is by noon on Wednesday, September 24, 2025.**

Tree Size - Source

- Trees ordered will be in containers. In addition to cost savings, the container trees have minimal transplant shock. The container trees are smaller in height and diameter initial however because they have retained their root structure, they will grow quicker in the first years. Trees are: 10-15 gallon; 6-8ft ht. All trees are purchased from a reputable nursery with a one-year warranty.

Drought Sensitivity

- Container tree root balls dry out quickly and make them more sensitive to lack of water. For this reason, it's important to plant a container tree sooner, or else keep a close eye on the soil to make sure it's well watered in the container.

Locating & Planting Trees

- Tree(s) will be delivered to the homeowner's residence by Public Works (first week in October), with planting instructions. Residents are responsible for planting the tree(s) OR selecting service provider to do so. You must contact "JULIE" (1-800.892.0123) prior to planting so the companies can come out and make sure you are digging in a safe location no matter who is planting the tree.

Ordering Guidelines

- Completed order form with payment needs to be returned to Village no later than Wednesday, September 24, 2025 by noon.
- Confirmation of your purchase will be remitted via standard mail or email.
- Village will notify homeowners when tree(s) will be delivered by Public Works
- Tree orders will be on a first come, first serve basis. Funding is limited.

More Information

If you have any questions, please contact Nicole Mason at Village Hall, phone: 708.503.8000, ext. 3402.





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To order a tree from the **2025 50/50 Tree Program**, please complete the order form below and **return to the Village Hall by Wednesday, September 24, 2025 by noon**. Residents may purchase up to 2 trees (available on a first come, first serve basis) and plant them anywhere on their property, as long as it doesn't conflict with utilities. Please make **check payable to:** Village of Olympia Fields.

*Quantity	Common Tree Name / Variety Name	Resident Cost	Total
	Columnar Oak / <i>Kindred Spirit</i> (7 gal)	\$ 94.00	
	Northern Red Oak (15 gal)	\$119.00	
	Japanese Lilac / <i>Ivory Silk</i> (15 gal)	\$109.00	
	Sugar Maple / <i>Fall Fiesta®</i> (15 gal)	\$109.00	
	Eastern Redbud / <i>MN Strain</i> (10 gal)	\$109.00	
	Red Maple / <i>Redpoint®</i> (15 gal)	\$109.00	

***Limit 2 trees per residential household**

TOTAL DUE: _____

Resident Name:

Address:

Phone #:

Alternative Phone #:

E-mail Address

NOTE: if the tree you have selected is unavailable, a like alternative tree is selected for you. If you agree with this tree substitution please indicate by circling YES

*If there is a price difference you will be issued a refund.

Deliver to: L/side R/side front rear of home (please circle)

Please return completed form to:

*Village of Olympia Fields
Attn: Nicole Mason
20040 Governors Hwy.
Olympia Fields, IL 60461*

All orders with payment, must be received **by noon, Wednesday, September 24, 2025.**

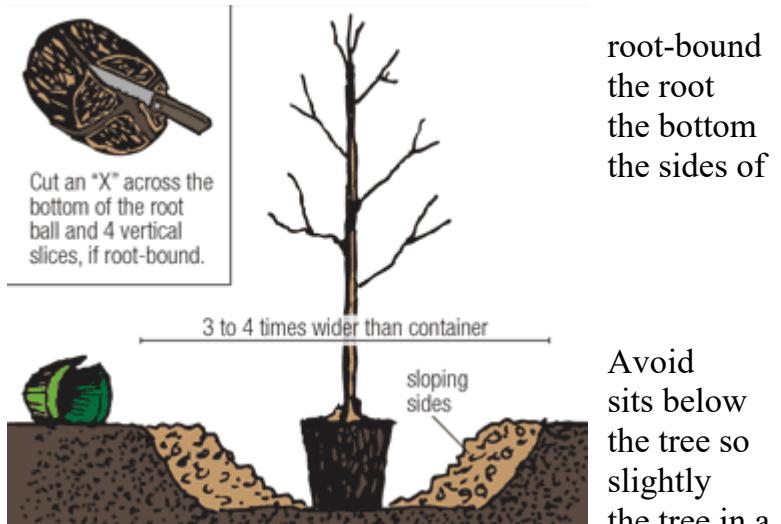
PLANTING CONTAINERIZED TREES

Instructions

1. Dig a hole 3 to 4 times wider than the container. The hole should have sloping sides like a saucer to allow for proper root growth.

2. Carefully remove the tree from the container keeping the soil around the roots intact. It helps to tap the outside of the container to loosen the edge. Carefully slide the tree from the container. Don't yank the tree out of the container as this can separate the roots from the tree.

3. Sometimes containerized trees become root-bound or the roots look like they're about to circle the ball. If your tree is like this, cut an X across the bottom of the root ball and four vertical slices along the root ball with a sharp knife.

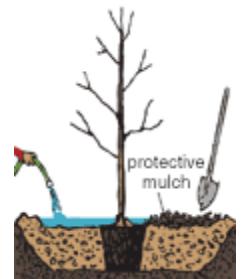


4. Set the tree in the middle of the hole. Avoid planting the tree too deep. If the root collar is below the top of the hole, compact some soil under the tree so that the root flare at the base of the trunk is slightly above ground level. Using some soil, secure the tree in a straight position, then fill and firmly pack the hole with the original soil, making sure there aren't any air pockets. Keep backfilling until the soil is just below the root collar.

5. Create a water-holding basin around the hole and give the tree a good watering. After the water has soaked in, spread protective mulch 2–4 inches deep in a 3-foot diameter area around the base of the tree, but not touching the trunk.

6. The soil and mulch around your trees should be kept moist but not soggy. During dry weather, generously water the tree every 7 to 10 days during the first year. Water slowly at the dripline.

7. Remove any tags and labels from the tree as these will affect the tree as it grows. You may need to prune any broken or dead branches.





**Columnar Oak \$188
Resident Cost: \$94**

Mature Height: 30'
Mature Spread: 6'
Light exposure: Full sun - 6 hr.
Water: well- drained

Kindred Spirit® Columnar Oak has extremely tight form of upright branches and a central leader. Fast growing with leaves turning red-orange in the fall. It does produce acorns



**Red Maple \$218
Resident Cost: \$109**

Mature Height: 45'
Mature Spread: 30'
Planting site: Shrub border or specimen plant
Water: well-drained soil
Light exposure: Full sun

This tree holds a classic teardrop shape with natural branch and symmetrical canopy development. Fast growing with vibrant orange/red color in the fall.



**Eastern Redbud \$218
Resident Cost: \$109**

Mature Height: 25'
Mature Spread: 30"
Bloom Time: late Spring
Water: moist, well-drained soil
Light exposure: Full sun to part shade

The MN Strain Redbud is a multi-stem tree. Flowers are rose pink to magenta, and grow in small clusters of pea-like blossoms that

will appear in early May-April. Heart-shaped leaves turn buttery yellow in fall.



**Sugar Maple \$ 218
Resident Cost: \$109**

Mature Height: 60-70'
Mature Spread: 30-45'
Full sun to part shade
Water: medium

This is an excellent shade tree with a dense, rounded crown. Sugar Maples are long-lived trees which grow relatively slowly. Amazing fall color with an array from yellow to orange to red



**Japanese Lilac \$218
Resident Cost: \$109**

Mature Height: 20-30'
Mature Spread: 15-20'
Water: medium
Light exposure: Full sun

This ornamental tree features late spring to early summer showy, fragrant creamy white flowers which bloom in upright panicles 12" long.



**Northern Red Oak \$238
Resident Cost: \$119**

Height: 50-75'
Mature Spread: 50-75'
Light exposure: Full Sun
Exposure: Sun/Partial shade
Water: dry to medium

A medium size tree with broad-spreading, often irregular. Leaves turn brownish-red in autumn. Fruits are acorns which mature in early fall.