

From the Planners' Bookshelf...

Urban Forestry Master Plans serve a great many purposes from climate change actions to heat island reductions to community aesthetics and recreation area enhancements. The three examples below are wonderful guides for local action.

"The City of Columbus' Urban Forestry

Master Plan is a strategic and long-term investment in Columbus' tree canopy. An urban forest refers to all the trees within a city, across all lands (both public and private). Why is our tree canopy important? Tree canopy reduces the heat island effect, reduces air pollution, intercepts stormwater, improves quality of life and so much more.



"Our tree canopy is vulnerable to threats from disease, pests, the changing climate and increased development. Columbus is expecting 1 million more residents by 2050. Efforts like the Urban Forestry Master Plan need to happen now to ensure residents' quality of life in the coming decades. The Urban Forestry Master Plan is for the entire community – both public and private landowners. It will take every resident and business owner's involvement to move the needle on this transformational plan.

"WHAT IS THE URBAN FORESTRY MASTER PLAN?"

The Columbus Urban Forestry Master Plan (UFMP) is the first Citywide, strategic plan to invest long-term in Columbus' trees. Over the next decades, the UFMP will guide the entire Columbus Ohio community to prioritize, preserve and grow our tree canopy."

LINK:

<https://www.columbus.gov/UrbanForestryMasterPlan/#:~:text=Click%20here%20to%20download%20and%20read%20the%20Urban%20Forestry%20Master%20Plan.>

City of Tallahassee's Urban Forest Master Plan Presentation [9:25]

The City is currently developing the Urban Forest Master Plan. The Urban Forest Master Plan will establish goals specific to the community and outline actionable steps to ensure proper tree management, including preservation, plantings, removals and maintenance, as well as help reduce costs to tax payers and minimize infrastructure conflicts. For more information, visit Talgov.com/TallyTrees, email TallyTrees@Talgov.com or call 850-891-6415.

LINK: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=luLndPwlPSg>

The City of Bradenton's Urban Forestry Master Plan, Update, September 2011, brings current the 1994 Plan resulting from the establishment of the Tree and Land Preservation Board established by the City in 1992. A pdf copy of their report is found on the link following.

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