



CITY OF BURLINGAME

*"The City of Trees"*



*America's 250th Birthday*

# TREE PROGRAM

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**250 Trees for America's 250th Birthday**

*Growing the Future of the City of Trees*

Planting a Living Legacy for America's 250th Birthday

City of Burlingame • Parks and Recreation Department • 2026

*Join us in planting the next chapter  
of Burlingame's story*

## Program Overview

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For more than a century, Burlingame has been proud of its urban canopy and has had the official designation of the Tree City, USA for 47 years. In celebration of the 250th anniversary of the United States in 2026, the City invites residents and businesses to help write the next chapter of that legacy.

The 250 Trees for America's 250th Birthday Program seeks to plant 250 new trees throughout our community—one tree for every year of our nation's history.

Participants may select from a list of approved tree species and purchase a tree at the City's discounted cost. Together, we can create a living legacy that will provide beauty, shade, sustainability, and community pride for generations to come.

## Program Goals

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- Celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States
- Expand the City's urban tree canopy and encourage environmental stewardship and sustainability
- Beautify residential and commercial neighborhoods, creating a lasting civic legacy for future generations.

## Program Highlights

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### What the City Provides

- Discounted tree pricing (at City cost)
- Delivery of the tree by the City
- Commemorative America's 250th Tree Certificate

### Participant Responsibilities

- Select a location on private property to be approved by the City
- Reimburse the City for the discounted cost of the tree
- Plant, water, and maintain the tree after planting

## How It Works

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**Step 1 – Submit Application:** Select your tree species, size, and proposed planting location by completing the online application.

**Step 2 – Site Review:** City staff will review and verify the suitability of the proposed planting location.

**Step 3 – Payment:** Applicants will be notified of approval and provided payment instructions.

**Step 4 – Scheduling:** The City will coordinate the tree delivery.

**Step 5 – Planting Day:** The property owner will verify the planting via photos.

**Step 6 – Certificate Issued:** Participants will receive their official commemorative certificate.

## Available Tree Species

Participants may select from six approved tree species. Pricing reflects the City's negotiated purchase cost.

### Available Sizes

- 5-Gallon Trees
- 15-Gallon Trees

Tree Species	5-Gallon Price	15-Gallon Price
<a href="#">Coast Live Oak</a> - Native, Evergreen, Long-lived, Large Size	\$40	\$75
<a href="#">Valley Oak</a> - Native, Deciduous, Long-lived, Large Size	\$45	\$90
<a href="#">Olive (Non-Fruiting)</a> – Evergreen, Long-lived, Moderate Size	\$45	\$90
<a href="#">Elm</a> – Deciduous, American Classic, Moderate Size	\$40	\$80
<a href="#">Jacaranda</a> – Deciduous, Attractive Flowers, Moderate Size	\$45	\$85
<a href="#">Desert Willow</a> – Deciduous, Fragrant Flowers, Moderate Size	\$40	\$75

Please contact the Parks and Recreation Department for current availability and pricing updates.

## Contact & Additional Information

For questions regarding eligibility, tree selection, planting requirements, or scheduling, please contact the Parks Division at 650-558-7330 or [parkadmin@burlingame.org](mailto:parkadmin@burlingame.org).

# AMERICA 250 TREE PROGRAM APPLICATION

## Applicant Information

**Applicant Type:**  Resident  Business  Property Owner  Property Manager

**Applicant Name:**

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**Business Name (if applicable):**

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**Property Address:**

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**Mailing Address (if different):**

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**Phone Number:**

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**Email Address:**

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## Tree Planting Location

The tree must be planted in an approved location within the City of Burlingame. These locations are on private property outside of the City Right-Of-Way, at least 6' from underground and overhead utilities, and ten feet from any structure.

**Proposed Planting Location Description (include a picture of the site and location on the site):**

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**Preferred Tree Species:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred Size:**  5-Gallon  15-Gallon **Price:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alternative Tree Choice (optional):**

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**Preferred Planting Season for Delivery:**  Fall 2026  Winter 2027  Spring 2027

**Delivery Notes:**

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## Applicant Certification

I certify that the information provided is accurate and that I am authorized to approve tree planting at this location.

**Electronic Signature:**

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**Date:**

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# CERTIFICATE OF COMMEMORATIVE TREE STEWARDSHIP

*America's 250th Birthday Celebration*

City of Burlingame • The City of Trees

*This certifies that*

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*has participated in the*

## **250 Trees for America's 250th Birthday Program**

*through the planting of a commemorative tree within the City of Burlingame.*

This tree serves as a living tribute to the 250th Anniversary of the United States and contributes to the continued growth of Burlingame's urban forest for future generations.

**Tree Species**

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**Planting Date**

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Mayor

City Manager

**★ FOUNDRING TREE SPONSOR EDITION ★**

*First 50 Participants Only • Special Recognition*

This participant is recognized as a Founding Tree Sponsor of the 250 Trees for America's 250th Birthday Program and is among the first residents and businesses to help establish Burlingame's America 250 Living Legacy Forest.