Research Grants

The TREE Fund's research grants have contributed to improvements in plant management techniques, industry safety practices and equipment, and strategies for disease suppression and resistance to pests. We offer grants in the areas of Root and Soil Management; Planting and Establishment; Plant Health Care; Risk Assessment and Worker Safety; Technology Transfer; Urban Forestry; and Arboriculture Education.

Research Fellowship Grant Program (up to \$100,000, 3-5 year duration): Supports mentored doctoral research projects in priority areas of arboriculture and urban forestry.

Hyland R. Johns Grants (up to \$50,000, 3-5 year duration): Supports research that directly affects the work of industry professionals.

John Z. Duling Grants (up to \$25,000): Provides start up or seed funding to support innovative research and technology transfer projects.

Jack Kimmel International Grants (up to \$10,000): Provides funding for arboriculture research projects all over the world.

Directed Grant Program

With guidance from the Board of Trustees, the Research Committee may select a topic and solicit proposals from specific researchers. The size of the grant is determined by the scope of the project and funds available.

Sponsored Grant Program

Organizations or individuals may fund a research project of their choosing, to be administered by the TREE Fund. The project must be compatible with the mission of the TREE Fund, and funding must be secured prior to release of solicitation of proposals. Project administration is managed by the TREE Fund, and an administrative fee applies.

Education Support Opportunities

Arboriculture Education Grant Program (up to \$5,000): Supports the development of arboriculture educational programs and materials for K-I2 students. Projects must relate to arboriculture or urban forestry and include a hands-on component; support is not provided for tree planting programs.

Ohio Chapter ISA Education Grant Program (up to \$5,000): Funded by Ohio Chapter ISA to fund arboricultural education programs or projects within the State of Ohio which serve a target population of 16 years of age or older.

TREE Fund Scholarships

The TREE Fund offers scholarships for undergraduate students who aspire to careers in arboriculture, urban forestry and related fields.

Robert Felix Memorial Scholarship (\$3,000): Supports college students studying arboriculture, urban forestry or related fields with the intention of entering arboriculture.

John Wright Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000): Supports high school seniors and returning college students pursuing careers related to arboriculture.

Horace M. Thayer Scholarship (\$2,000): Supports college students from Pennsylvania or Delaware enrolled in a program related to the practice of arboriculture and urban forestry.

Fran Ward Women in Arboriculture Scholarship (\$2,000): Supports female college students from Pennsylvania or Delaware enrolled in a program related to the practice of arboriculture and urban forestry.