



2025 TREE Fund Grant and Scholarship Programs

RESEARCH GRANTS

Spring Cycle

Utility Arborist Research Fund Program

Supports work with real importance and benefit to utility tree care professionals. Award amount: up to \$50,000 (minimum \$10,000)

100-Word Letters of Inquiry (LOIs) accepted January 15 to March 1, 2025

For approved LOIs only, applications accepted January 15 to March 15, 2025

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Fall Cycle

John Z. Duling Grant Program

Provides start up or seed funding to support innovative research and technology transfer projects.

Award amount: up to \$25,000 (minimum \$10,000)

100-Word Letters of Inquiry (LOIs) accepted August 1 to September 15, 2025

For approved LOIs only, applications accepted August 1 to October 1, 2025

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Jack Kimmel International Grant Program

Provides funding for arboriculture research by applicants working primarily outside of the United States.

Award amount: up to \$10,000 (minimum \$5,000)

100-Word Letters of Inquiry (LOIs) accepted August 1 to September 15, 2025

For approved LOIs only, applications accepted August 1 to October 1, 2025

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Bob Skiera Memorial Fund Building Bridges Initiative and John P. White Grant Program

Supports projects which will help arborists and urban foresters communicate the value of trees and urban forests on a global basis through technology transfer and engagement with developers, builders, civil engineers, city planners, elected officials and other policymakers.

Award amount: up to \$30,000 (minimum \$10,000)

100-Word Letters of Inquiry (LOIs) accepted August 1 to September 15, 2025

For approved LOIs only, applications accepted August 1 to October 1, 2025

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Safe Arborist Techniques Fund Grant Program

Supports original research that creates a safer work environment for people working in the tree care industry and the general public they serve.

Award amount: up to \$15,000 (minimum \$5,000)

100-Word Letters of Inquiry (LOIs) accepted August 1 to September 15, 2025

For approved LOIs only, applications accepted January 15 to October 1, 2025

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Fall Cycle (continued)

Tree and Soil Research Fund Program

Supports projects with research of interest to the landscape architecture community with special focus in the area of trees and soils that support them.

Award amount: up to \$10,000 (minimum \$5,000)

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ARBORICULTURE EDUCATION GRANT

Ohio Chapter ISA Education Grant Program

Funded by Ohio Chapter ISA to provide arboricultural education programs or projects within the State of Ohio which serve a target population of 16 years of age or older.

Award amount: \$5,000

Applications accepted January 15 – March 15, 2025

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The Davey Tree Expert Company Community Arboriculture Education Grant Program

Funded by The Davey Tree Expert Company to provide funding support for education / training in tree care and/or urban forestry topics.

Award amount: \$5,000 (two awards available)

Applications accepted January 15 – March 15, 2025

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SCHOLARSHIPS

Bonnie Appleton Memorial Scholarship Program

Supports college students studying arboriculture, urban forestry, horticulture, nursery management or a related field with the intention of becoming a professional in one of these fields.

Award amount: \$5,000

Applications accepted January 15 – March 15, 2025

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Robert Felix Memorial Scholarship Program

Supports college students studying arboriculture, urban forestry or related fields with the intention of entering arboriculture.

Award amount: \$5,000

Applications accepted January 15 – March 15, 2025

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Scholarships (continued)

John Wright Memorial Scholarship Program

Supports high school seniors and returning college students pursuing careers related to arboriculture. Award amount: \$5,000

Applications accepted January 15 – March 15, 2025

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Fran Ward Women in Arboriculture Scholarship Program

Supports **female** college students enrolled in a program related to the practice of arboriculture and urban forestry.

Award amount: \$5,000

Applications accepted January 15 – March 15, 2025

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Larry R. Hall Memorial Scholarship

Supports high school seniors or current returning college students seeking a first degree interested in entering the arboriculture industry.

Award amount: \$5,000

Applications accepted January 15 – March 15, 2025

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Will Nutter Memorial Scholarship

Supports the utility forestry and arboriculture industry by helping college students interested in those fields achieve high academic goals without accumulating burdensome debt. Up to \$500 of the scholarship can be used for books and supplies.

Amount: \$5,000

Applications accepted January 15 – March 15, 2025

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NOT AVAILABLE IN 2025

Barborinas Family Fund Grant Program

Supports projects focused on tree production, planting techniques, and the improvement of tree varieties for urban conditions, to focus on investigations into root science.

Award amount: up to \$10,000 (minimum \$5,000)

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Hyland R. Johns Grant Program

Supports research that directly affects the work of industry professionals.

Award amount: up to \$25,000 (minimum \$10,000)

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