



University Park • Denver, Colorado

FREE TREES AVAILABLE TO UNIVERSITY PARK RESIDENTS!!*

Greetings from the **Tree Advocacy Group (TAG)**. We are a UPCC committee of neighborhood volunteers working to protect and enhance our urban tree canopy.

We are working in conjunction with the City of Denver's Parks and Recreation Team to promote the City's "**Be a Smart Ash**" program to encourage the planting of new trees in the available right-of-way space at the front or side of your home.

- The program is **not** solely for the replacement of Ash trees. It can be used for any locations where a right-of-way tree can be planted.
- **The City** will verify utility locations, file required permits and deliver and plant the tree.
- **The TAG Committee** will be your advocate in understanding and utilizing the program.
- **You** simply need to complete the application and care for the tree...and we are here to help!!! Simply go to the City Forester's website to register today by going to www.beasmartash.org/what-can-i-do/apply-for-a-tree.

The Denver City Forester is striving to process all requests within a few weeks. If approved, an arborist from the Denver City Forester's office will visit the site and make recommendations as to which trees are available and which will thrive based on the surrounding conditions. You can contact the City Forester's office by sending an email to tree@denvergov.org or by calling 720-913-0651.

If you have any questions or need help completing the application, you can also contact the following committee members:

Marty Murphy

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If you would like to join the Tree Advocacy Group of the University Park Community Council, please contact any of the members indicated above or:

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* Trees must be planted in the right-of-way adjacent to your property.

What is a right-of-way tree?

In case you're not familiar, the right-of-way is the public land that includes the street, tree lawn and sidewalk – the width of which is established by the City of Denver. The right-of-way also defines the boundary line along the street frontage of a property.

Here's a helpful illustration to bring that definition to life:

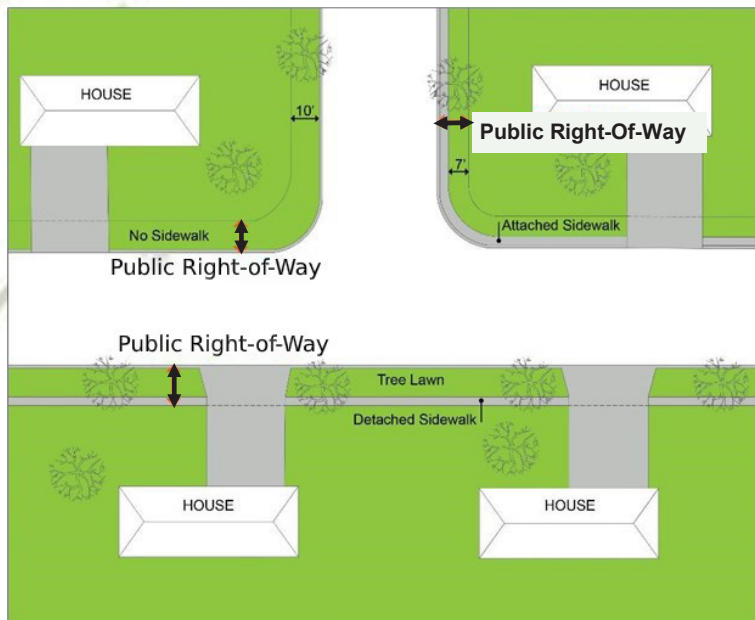


Illustration indicating typical ROW conditions.

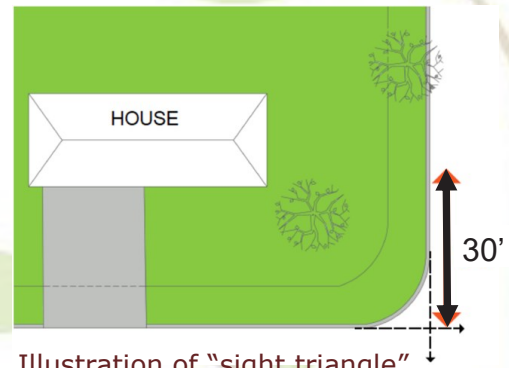


Illustration of "sight triangle"

If you have a right-of-way and the following criteria are also true, you may qualify for a free tree:

- 30 feet from outside edge of intersecting curbs for sight triangle
- 35 feet from large shade trees
- 25 feet from ornamental trees
- 20 feet from street lights
- 20 feet from stop signs
- 10 feet from alleys, driveways, and fire hydrants
- 7 feet behind attached sidewalks
- 5 feet from water meters/pits
- Centered within tree lawns/planters

