Benefits of Urban Trees

Trees make communities liveable for people. Trees add beauty and create an environment beneficial to our mental health.
? Adds natural character to our cities and towns
? Provide us with colors, flowers, and beautiful shapes, forms and textures
? Screens harsh scenery
? Soften the outline of masonary, metal and glass
? Can be used architecturally to provide space definition and landscape continuity

Trees impact deeply on our moods and emotions, providing psychological benefits impossible to measure.
? Create feelings of relaxation and well-being
? Provide privacy and a sense of solitude and security
? Shorten post-operative hospital stays when patients are placed in rooms with a view of trees and open spaces

A well-managed urban forest contributes to a sense of community pride and ownership.

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? Trees conserve water and reduce soil erosion
? Trees save energy
? Trees modify local climate
  • Lower air temperature through shade
  • Increase humidity in dry climates through evaporation of moisture
  • Reduce glare on sunny days
  • Reduce wind speed
? Trees increase economic stability
  • Trees enhance community economic stability by attracting businesses and tourists
  • People linger and shop loner along tree-lined streets
  • Apartments and office in wooded areas rent more quickly, have higher occupancy rates and tenants stay longer
  • Businesses leasing office space in wooded developments find their workers are more productive and absenteeism is reduced
? Trees reduce noise pollution
? Trees create wildlife and plant diversity
? Trees increase property values
  • Healthy trees can add up to 15 percent to residential property values
  • Office and industrial space in a wooded setting is in more demand and is more valuable to sell or rent
? Trees exceed the life of pavement

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