

Red Bank – 2007 Shade Tree Activities

Maintenance

- ✓ Removed 49 hazardous trees.
- ✓ Continued the pruning program throughout the borough.

Planting

- ✓ Continued the tree planting program by adding a total of 205 street and park trees to the Borough forestry.
- ✓ Received the New Jersey Cool Cities grant (\$24,308) and started Year 1 implementation by planting 96 trees (included in the above total).

Inventory

- ✓ Inventoried Zone 5: 177 existing trees, 184 potential planting locations.
- ✓ Added the information to the GIS database.
- ✓ Published the inventory on the Web using [Google Maps](#)

Community Outreach

- ✓ Held an official Arbor Day celebration with the Red Bank Middle School.
- ✓ Held an Earth Day celebration with the Charter School, planting trees in the local park.
- ✓ Engaged the Green Team from a local church in maintaining trees in a local park.
- ✓ Received Tree City USA designation and posted Tree City USA signs at the entrances to the borough.
- ✓ Distributed information at the Red Bank Jazz and Blues Festival.
- ✓ Had articles published on tree-related issues in the local publications:
 - ✓ http://hub.gmnews.com/news/2007/0426/Front_page/009.html
 - ✓ http://www.redbankgreen.com/redbankgreen/2007/04/i_think_that_i_.html
 - ✓ http://www.redbankgreen.com/redbankgreen/2007/05/white_street_tr.html
- ✓ Passed a [Tree Protection ordinance](#). The Borough Arborist has been appointed the Code Enforcement Officer for the ordinance.
- ✓ Responded to residents' requests and questions.
- ✓ Kept the [STC website](#) updated

Working with Other Entities

- ✓ Worked out an agreement with the Borough Engineer to have the Borough Arborist and STC involved in the road improvement program.
- ✓ Continued cooperative programs with the Special Improvement District.
- ✓ Continued a close working relationship with the Monmouth County Shade Tree Commission.
- ✓ Continued to hold monthly Shade Tree Committee meetings with site plan reviews.

Education and Training

- ✓ Three STC members and the Borough Arborist attended the New Jersey Shade Tree Federation training.
- ✓ The Borough Arborist continued training the DPU crew on proper pruning and planting techniques.