



APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1 DETERMINE YOUR ELIGIBILITY**
Support is awarded to groups of people who are willing to conduct outreach and work with their broader community. If you have questions about your eligibility please call URI.
- 2 FILL OUT THE APPLICATION AND SUBMIT IT**
Include any supporting materials (photos, letters of support, etc.) and mail to: URI, 195 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT 06511.
- 3 SITE VISIT**
The Greenspace Manager will conduct a site visit with you prior to acceptance. (This may be done either before or after the application is submitted.)

Since 1995, Community Greenspace has supported more than 50 neighborhood groups each year in New Haven during the summer to improve their local environment.

Find a local Greenspace group on URI's website or complete an application to start a new group for your neighborhood.

This program is supported by:

The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven

City of New Haven

CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

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Individual Donors

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis through April 1.

For more info, please go to the website:
<http://uri.yale.edu/programs/greenspace>

Any Questions? Call: 203-432-6189 or
Email: uri@yale.edu

COMMUNITY GREENSPACE

Application Instructions



**URBAN
RESOURCES
INITIATIVE**



Yale School of Forestry
& Environmental Studies



NEW HAVEN URBAN RESOURCES INITIATIVE (URI) invites you to apply to be part of the Community Greenspace program to support you and your neighbors' efforts to revitalize your community.

Neighbors determine where and what kind of project they wish to undertake. Parks, abandoned lots, public and private housing associations, neglected front yards and curb strips are some of the spaces residents choose to plant and maintain through this program.

The Community Greenspace program supports projects that better unite a community. Citizens working on common space projects, such as vacant lots, parks, and curb strips are successful in achieving that goal. Projects that focus on tree planting have better long-term survival rates, and greater environmental impacts than those projects using only flowers and shrubs. These kinds of projects also have more dramatic visual impact and result in greater change in the neighborhood. Therefore, residents wishing to devote themselves to vacant lots, parks, common space or tree planting projects will be given greater priority for grant support.

COMMUNITY GREENSPACE SUPPORT includes both materials, tools and technical resources.

PLANT MATERIAL

Such as trees, perennial flowering plants, and shrubs

GARDENING SUPPLIES

Such as compost, soil, mulch and tools

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Includes the services of a community forester intern assigned to support your group to develop and implement your neighborhood open space design. The intern also helps neighbors to conduct an inventory of existing trees, advises on appropriate species selections and guides planting and maintenance techniques. In addition to the support of a community forester intern, training workshops will be offered and a professional landscape designer is available as needed.

PURPOSE

Community Greenspace enhances the ability of New Haven residents to improve their neighborhood through:

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Creating connections to ensure close communication and cooperation among neighbors

ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION

Increasing plants and trees in neighborhoods to create a more livable and healthy community

STEWARDSHIP

Developing a sense of ownership and responsibility for street trees, open spaces, and other public natural resources