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September 15, 2022

The Honorable Detroit City Council  
**ATTN: City Clerk Office**  
200 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
Detroit MI 48226

**RE: Request to accept a donation of 2,500 Trees from the Greening of Detroit**

The Greening of Detroit has awarded the City of Detroit General Services Department with a donation of 2,500 trees, valued at \$2,250,000.00. This is a non-cash donation. There is no match requirement for this donation. The total project cost is \$2,250,000.00.

The objective of the donation to the department is to plant 2,500 shade, ornamental, and evergreen trees (1.5"-2" caliper balled and burlap or comparable) at key sites across the City of Detroit. The Greening of Detroit will purchase and install the trees at sites determined by the department. Community engagement efforts will include outreach to residents and business owners near planned tree plantings, with educational information that encourages stewardship. The locations of the trees will include but are not limited to: James Couzens Service Drive from 8 Mile to 6 Mile, Oakman Blvd./1-96 Service Drive, the Ellis Robison Greenbelt, and Chene & Robert Bradby Dr.

I respectfully ask your approval to accept this donation in accordance with the attached resolution.

Sincerely,  
DocuSigned by:  
*Terri Daniels*  
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Terri Daniels  
Director of Grants, Office of Development and Grants

CC:  
Sajjiah Parker, Assistant Director, Grants

DocuSigned by:  
*Steven Watson*  
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Office of Budget



## Office of Development and Grants

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### RESOLUTION

**Council Member** \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, the General Services Department has been awarded a donation of 2,500 shade, ornamental, and evergreen trees, from the Greening of Detroit, valued at \$2,250,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, this request has been approved by the Office of Budget; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the General Services Department is hereby authorized to accept a donation of 2,500 shade, ornamental, and evergreen trees, to be purchased and installed by the Greening of Detroit.



GROWING TOMORROW'S DETROIT

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September 13, 2022

Brad Dick, Group Executive  
General Service Department  
115 Erskine St.  
Detroit, MI 48201

RE: Tree Equity Project Donation to the City of Detroit

Dear Brad:

On behalf of The Greening of Detroit, I am writing to offer our full assistance in purchasing and installing up to 2500 shade, ornamental, and evergreen trees (1.5"-2" caliper balled and burlap or comparable) to be planted at key sites across the City of Detroit, identified by the City of Detroit. The costs, approximately \$2,250,000, will be borne by The Greening of Detroit.

These improvements will take place during Fall 2022, Spring 2023, and Fall 2023 planting seasons. This donation is part of the Tree Equity Project, co-lead by The Greening of Detroit. The project is guided by the planning work of the Detroit Reforestation Initiative which includes the Davey Tree Street Tree Inventory (2016), Detroit LIDAR imaging tree canopy assessment (2017), and the PPD and GSD Priority Planting Analysis (2022). Community engagement efforts will include outreach to residents and business owners near planned tree plantings, with educational information that encourages stewardship. This project is a collaboration of the City of Detroit General Services and Planning Departments, American Forests, DTE and additional local partners.

By making this donation, we aim to increase the health and resilience of Detroit's Tree Canopy. A healthy tree canopy improves air quality, provides much needed shade during extreme heat, reduces flooding, increases property value, and improves health outcomes for residents. The locations of the trees will include, but are not limited to: James Couzens Service Drive/8 to 6 Mile, Oakman Blvd/ I-96 Service Drive, Ellis Robison Greenbelt, and Chene/Robert Bradby/Antietam.

The Greening of Detroit provides a 3-year maintenance plan (2-years irrigation and the first structural pruning of these trees). No warranty is provided, but any trees that have died within the first two years can be removed (flush cut) at the request of the Landscape Design Unit.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Bradford".

Lionel Bradford  
President  
The Greening of Detroit