

Growing Friends Planting Projects

The following is a list of the projects that Growing Friends has initiated over the years. These projects often have targeted a particular publicly visible place in the Greater Helena area that Growing Friends members or the Board thought would benefit from the planting of trees.

1990	Helena Regional Airport (in conjunction with, and paid for by, the Airport, but planned and implemented by Growing Friends, including recruiting and supervising 100 volunteers, and planting 105 trees and 200 shrubs)	\$ 0
1991	Park Avenue Parking Lot	\$ 1,600
1992	Cruse Avenue (80 volunteers, 600 shrubs and seedlings)	\$ 1,000
1993	Benton Avenue Cemetery (21 trees, 172 shrubs)	\$ 700
	Federal Building	\$ 200
1994	Jefferson Elementary School	\$ 643
1995	St. Peter's Hospital	\$ 800
1996	City-County Building	\$ 1,350
	Benton Avenue Cemetery	\$ 1,700
1998	North Main and 14th Streets	\$ 800
	Waukesha Park	\$ 100
1999	Broadway boulevard trees (in conjunction with U.S. West Foundation, including irrigation; planted between Warren and Ewing Streets)	\$ 7,814
	Dale Harris Memorial Park (300 conifer seedlings)	\$ 493
2000	Euclid Avenue medians	\$ 11,490
	Benton Avenue Cemetery	\$ 3,375
2001	Benton Avenue Cemetery	\$ 330
	Sunset Capital Apartments	\$ 1,159
2002	Springview Pointe Condominiums	\$ 2,414
	St. Peter's Hospital	\$ 3,327
2003	Jackson Street and 11th Avenue	\$ 639
	St. Peter's Hospital	\$ 2,684
2004	Helena Regional Airport	\$ 3,315
	North Main Street businesses (including irrigation)	\$ 1,682
	Kumamoto High School students	\$ 256
	Sunset Capital Apartments	\$ 650
2005	Great Northern (around the performance area and along Lyndale Avenue on both sides of the underpass. GF received a \$6,000 grant from the U.S. Forest Service to help with this project)	\$ 6,624
	Archie Bray Foundation	\$ 3,389
2006	Archie Bray Foundation	\$ 458
2007	Blue Cross/Blue Shield Parking Lot	\$ 583
	Townsend Avenue/Helena College of Technology/Helena High School practice field	\$ 3,751
2008	Florence Crittenton Home	\$ 532
	Sixth Ward boulevard trees	\$ 7,511
2009	Hawthorne Elementary School	\$ 190
2010	Cedar Street businesses	\$ 2,973
	Bill Roberts Golf Course (on Benton Avenue)	\$ 7,352

	Sunset Capital Apartments	\$ 432
2011	Kessler Elementary School (on Granite Street)	\$ 2,565
	Bill Roberts Golf Course (on Benton Avenue)	\$ 3,026
2012	Jackson Street and 11th Avenue	\$ 240
	Cumulative Total (and growing):	\$88,147

Boulevard Tree Program

Growing Friends has planted trees in the boulevards between the sidewalk and the street all over town, including both the older sections and the newer subdivisions. The program began in 1994, when Growing Friends received a start-up grant from the U.S. Forest Service. The program has evolved over the years in many ways. For example, in 1996 (Hauser Blvd.), 2002 (Barney Addition), and 2009 (Walnut Street) Growing Friends sponsored plantings that involved a larger number of trees in one area. The number of trees reported below does not include replacement plantings from previous years. The dollar amounts spent each year vary due the cost of the trees, the fact that certain species cost more, and whether the trees were purchased in the Spring or the Fall. Growing Friends asks that the property owner/homeowner contribute roughly one-third the cost of the trees, help dig the hole, and water and maintain the trees.

1994	3 Maples, 4 Ash, 5 Lindens,	12 trees	\$ 2,745
1995	6 Hawthorns, 3 Burr Oaks, 5 Ash, 14 Lindens	28 trees	\$ 3,127
1996	14 Ash, 23 Lindens, 14 Snow Crabs, 1 Juniper	52 trees	\$ 4,136
1997	2 Maples, 6 Ash, 19 Lindens	27 trees	\$ 2,467
1998	3 Maples, 1 Ash, 7 Lindens, 6 Snow Crabs	17 trees	\$ 2,373
1999	3 Maples, 7 Ash, 14 Lindens	24 trees	\$ 3,585
2000	1 Maple, 1 Ash, 18 Lindens	20 trees	\$ 2,344
2001	3 Maples, 2 Ash, 21 Lindens, 5 Snow Crabs, 1 Pear	32 trees	\$ 3,883
2002	4 Maples, 21 Ash, 9 Lindens, 16 Snow Crabs	50 trees	\$ 5,956
2003	10 Ash, 4 Snow Crabs	14 trees	\$ 2,193
2004	8 Ash, 3 Linden, 3 Snow Crabs	14 trees	\$ 1,029
2005	2 Maples, 6 Ash, 8 Lindens, 9 Snow Crabs, 5 Plums	30 trees	\$ 2,716
2006	7 Ash, 24 Lindens, 8 Cherries, 11 Snow Crabs, 1 Elm	51 trees	\$ 4,987
2007	2 Maples, 5 Lindens, 6 Snow Crabs, 1 Elm	14 trees	\$ 1,964
2008	5 Maples, 2 Ash, 18 Lindens, 7 Cherries, 5 Locusts	37 trees	\$ 3,068
2009	6 Maples, 4 Ash, 11 Lindens	21 trees	\$ 2,527
2010	7 Maples, 1 Ash, 7 Lindens, 3 Cherries, 2 Elms	20 trees	\$ 3,754
2011	19 Maples, 7 Ash, 21 Linden, 8 Cherries, 3 Snow Crabs	58 trees	\$ 8,713
2012	8 Maples, 20 Lindens, 6 Cherries, 3 Elms	37 trees	\$ 5,898
	Cumulative Total (and growing):	\$67,465	558 trees

Grants Program

Growing Friends each year awards grants to various groups, public and private, to install or improve the landscaping at a particular location. These plantings can be on either public or private property, but must be an enhancement to the public view shed. Each planting project is similar, and all involve the planting of trees along with various shrubs. Rather than listing the

number of trees planted, the dollar amount of the grant is given and the location is indicated so you can see where Growing Friends has spent the money it raised and you generously donated.

1990	Helena Middle School	\$ 90
	Jim Darcy Elementary School	<u>259</u>
	Total	\$ 349
1991	Archie Bray Foundation	\$ 200
	Federal Building	40
	Helena High School	500
	Kessler Elementary School	400
	Warren Elementary School	<u>663</u>
	Total	\$ 1,803
1992	Carroll College	\$ 700
	Helena Middle School	900
	Myrna Loy Center	625
	Ray Bjork Elementary School	200
	Ryan and Exchange Parks	800
	Warren Elementary School	<u>400</u>
	Total	\$ 3,625
1993	Central Elementary School	\$ 57
	Chamber of Commerce Visitors' Center	300
	Clancy Elementary School	1,000
	Fairgrounds Duck Pond	1,000
	Helena Middle School	500
	Lewis & Clark Library	800
	Westmont Home Health Services	<u>608</u>
	Total	\$ 4,265
1994	Batch Fields County Park	\$ 700
	Child Care Association	87
	Treasure State Acres County Park	<u>1,000</u>
	Total	\$ 1,787
1995	Carroll College	\$ 800
	Chamber of Commerce Visitors' Center	600
	Clancy Elementary School	400
	Last Chance Tennis Association	525
	Margret Stuart Youth Shelter	700
	Treasure State Acres County Park	<u>973</u>
	Total	\$ 3,998
1996	Allegro School of Dance	\$ 500
	Army National Guard Armory	97
	Birdseye Community Center	395
	Central Elementary School	60
	Florence Crittenton Home	1,000

	Four Georgians Elementary School	895
	Memorial Park	660
	Parriman Construction Co.	460
	Plymouth Congregational Church	<u>776</u>
	Total	\$ 4,843
1997	Allen Oil Co.	\$ 1,000
	American Legion Post No. 2	762
	City-County Building	2,720
	Fairgrounds Duck Pond	500
	Family Outreach	441
	Four Georgians Elementary School	255
	Helena Industries	100
	Helena Middle School	780
	Pioneer Cabin	40
	Ray Bjork Elementary School	837
	YMCA	<u>100</u>
	Total	\$ 7,535
1998	Golden Triangle Mental Health Center	\$ 898
	Jim Darcy Elementary School	204
	Montana Science Institute	67
	Queen City Estates	1,035
	Ryan and Exchange County Parks	1,000
	Sierra County Park	1,000
	Spring Meadow Resources	600
	St Mary Catholic Church	<u>1,750</u>
	Total	\$ 6,554
1999	Golden Triangle Mental Health Center	\$ 2,000
	Grandstreet Theatre	488
	Hawthorne Elementary School	65
	Helena Housing Authority	1,100
	Helena Indian Alliance	300
	Helena Youth Soccer Association	1,000
	Intermountain Childrens Home	88
	McHugh Mobile Home Park	300
	Waukesha Park	<u>1,275</u>
	Total	\$ 6,616
2000	C.R. Anderson Middle School	\$ 1,120
	Capitol High School	1,000
	Carroll College	1,000
	Child Care Partnerships	750
	Helena Food Share	1,000
	Helena Youth Soccer Association	993
	Home Beautifiers	300
	Montana Science Institute	423
	Project for Alternative Living	<u>305</u>

	Total	\$ 6,891
2001	Capitol High School	\$ 65
	Covenant Methodist Church	1,275
	Holiday Stationstore	100
	Lewis & Clark Water Quality Protection District	518
	Little Red School House	260
	St. Peter's Hospital	<u>1,000</u>
	Total	\$ 3,218
2002	Allegro School of Dance	\$ 500
	Broadwater Cupola Park	1,500
	Eagle Rock Properties	206
	Menlo Park Road County Park	2,350
	Pioneer Cabin	285
	Smith Elementary School	990
	Soroptimists Club (Firetower Hill)	350
	St. Anne's Cemetery	449
	Ten Mile Creek Estates County Park (Eagle Scout project)	<u>385</u>
	Total	\$ 7,015
2003	Broadwater Elementary School	\$ 571
	Carroll College	1,000
	Early Learning Center	300
	1st Lutheran Church	2,000
	Hair/Hair Salon and Spa	1,000
	Helena High School	288
	Holter Art Museum	1,000
	Jamie's Westside Welding	1,000
	Mikal Kellner Foundation Wildlife Center	<u>5,000</u>
	Total	\$ 12,159
2004	KTVH Building	\$ 1,300
	May Butler School Administrative Center	1,200
	St. Paul's Methodist Church	<u>2,197</u>
	Total	\$ 4,697
2005	Eastgate Middle School	\$ 1,500
	Floor Show	1,150
	Helena Community Garden	389
	Helena High School	245
	Jefferson Elementary School	250
	Sunset Capital Apartments	<u>525</u>
	Total	\$ 4,059
2006	Action Print	\$ 200
	Helena Middle School	239
	Real Food Store	200
	St. Paul's Methodist Church	274

	Warren Elementary School	<u>2,030</u>
	Total	\$ 2,943
2007	Great Harvest Bread Co.	\$ 308
	Radley School	300
	St. Paul's Methodist Church	<u>1,037</u>
	Total	\$ 1,645
2008	Base Camp	\$ 2,000
	Exploration Works	93
	Florence Crittenton Home	1,048
	Nash Spine & Joint Rehabilitation	1,050
	Spring Meadow State Park	1,000
	St. Paul's Methodist Church	<u>4,326</u>
	Total	\$ 9,517
2009	Benton Ave. Cemetery	\$ 2,000
	Capital High School	2,500
	Colonial Professional Center	2,000
	Helena High School	2,390
	Lewis & Clark County Fairgrounds	2,000
	Our Lady of Valley Catholic Church	2,000
	Treasure State Acres County Park	<u>841</u>
	Total	\$ 13,731
2010	Broadway and Jackson Street	\$ 2,113
	Farm Bureau Insurance	1,150
	Helena Youth Soccer Association	2,000
	St. John's Lutheran Church	1,077
	Treasure State Acres County Park	<u>460</u>
	Total	\$ 6,800
2011	Archie Bray Foundation	\$ 292
	Bryant Elementary School	1,068
	Capital City Health Club	2,000
	Great Northern Town Center	2,000
	St. Paul's Methodist Church	<u>792</u>
	Total	\$ 6,152
2012	Bagel Co. (on N. Last Chance Gulch)	\$ 250
	Jefferson Elementary School	<u>400</u>
	Total	\$ 650
	Cumulative Total (and growing):	\$120,852

Ongoing Activities

Memorial Trees. Growing Friends will match up to \$150 for the planting of a memorial tree

in for a family member or friend. The planting must be in a publicly owned space.
Cumulative total (and growing): \$1,920.

Arbor Day. Growing Friends organizes a tree planting, usually at an elementary school, to celebrate Arbor Day. Cumulative total (and growing): \$946.

Habitat for Humanity Houses. Growing Friends has a standing offer of up to \$300 to help fund the landscaping of new HfH homes, with the understanding that at least one tree will be planted. Cumulative total (and growing): \$1,008.

Rocky Mountain Development Council Houses. Growing Friends has a standing offer of up to \$500 to help fund the landscaping of new RMDC student built homes, with the understanding that at least one tree will be planted. Cumulative total (and growing): \$2,150.