

TREE REBATE PROGRAM

The City of Hickman is sponsoring a Tree Rebate Program in an effort to encourage property owners to plant trees. Partial reimbursement is available for the purchase of trees under the following conditions.

1. The tree must be planted in the front yard of the house or side yard on a corner lot visible from the street. Location must be marked and approved by the Parks Department prior to any planting or purchase.
2. No more than one tree will be rebated per property owner or tenant, per lot, per year.
3. Deciduous trees must be .75 inch to 2.0 inch trunk caliber (measured at 12 inches above the ground) and well branched. Evergreen trees should be 3 to 6 feet tall and well branched. These specifications are detailed in the *American Standard for Nursery Stock* ANSI Z60.1.
4. Trees need to be one of the following to be rebate eligible:

Large Deciduous	Evergreen	Medium & Small Deciduous
Common Hackberry	Upright Japanese Yew	Eastern Redbud
Honey Locust (Thorn less)	Colorado Spruce	Hawthorn
Kentucky Coffee Tree		Japanese Lilac
Callery Pear		Sargent Cherry
Tristis Willow		
Bur Oak		
Northern Catalpa		
Norway Maple		
Linden		

5. Trees must be purchased by residents of Hickman.
6. Trees must be purchased and planted between the dates of **March 15th** and **June 15th** with rebate requests received by June 15th at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall. Trees planted in the fall must be planted between **August 15th** and **November 30th** with rebate requests received by November 30th at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall.
7. Mulching is required and should be 2 to 4 inches deep and 5 to 10 feet in diameter, with shredded or chipped wood chips. Do not use black plastic or landscape fabric under the mulch layer. Doing so inhibits proper air and water exchange.
8. In order to receive a rebate, the purchaser must present a receipt stating the type, size, and cost of the tree to the City Clerk at the Hickman City Office. Upon presenting the receipt, the purchaser will be required to fill out and sign a certification stating that the tree will be planted in accordance with these guidelines.
9. A rebate equal to 75% of the total purchase price of the tree not to exceed **\$50.00** will be paid by check after the above guidelines have been met.

TREE REBATE APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____ Hickman, NE 68372

Phone Number(s): (_____) _____ / (_____) _____

Eligible Tree: _____

Purchase Price: \$ _____

Address where tree is to be planted: _____
(if different from above address)

Place of Purchase: _____

Date of Purchase: _____

By signing this certificate, the above named purchaser hereby agrees to plant the tree in compliance with the guidelines set out under the Tree Rebate Program of the City.

Applicant Signature

Date

Office Use Only

Account Number: _____

Rebate Number: _____

Amount of Rebate: \$ _____

Approved for payment by: _____

Location approved by: _____