



Dayton Power and Light's Right Tree Right Place Program is Contributing Trees to Communities, Neighborhoods and Residents

Have you heard about Dayton Power and Light's Right Tree Right Place program?

DP&L is offering hundreds of beautiful and utility-friendly trees to communities, neighborhood and business groups and residents as part of the Right Tree Right Place program. The program encourages DP&L customers to consider the impact on the safety and reliability of electric service when making decisions about planting trees.

Planting the right type of tree – one that does not grow tall enough at maturity to interfere with power lines – and planting it well away from power lines will help reduce the number of power outages caused by tree limbs falling onto power lines.

DP&L's website, www.dpandl.com/righttree, also provides information about trees that are suitable for planting on your property.

As part of the Right Tree, Right Place campaign, DP&L has three new programs:

1. On October 17, DP&L will be giving away 150 utility-friendly trees through participating partner nurseries – Angle's Nursery in Bellefontaine, Knollwood Garden Center and Landscaping in Beavercreek, North Dayton Garden Center in Dayton, Siebenthaler's Garden Center in Beavercreek and Centerville and Stockslager's Greenhouse and Garden Center in New Lebanon. The first 25 customers at each location will take home a tree they can plant in their yard.
2. DP&L is also offering neighborhoods and groups of small businesses an opportunity to plant ornamental cherry trees through a partnership with the

Operation 1000 Cherry Tree Project. Those groups may apply at DP&L's website for groups of trees by October 9.

3. And Tree City USA communities around the DP&L service territory may apply for two community improvement grants (each totaling \$50,000) to plant trees that enhance city parks or public areas. The deadline for applying is January 31.

Details and applications are available at www.dpandl.com/righttree.

Why is the Right Tree Important?

Tree limbs and branches hitting or falling on overhead utility lines during a storm are among the most common causes of power outages.

Each year, DP&L trims trees along 2,100 miles of overhead distribution lines to maintain the reliability of our electrical system equipment.

If residents select the right tree and plant it in the right place, it can help minimize outages for residents and entire neighborhoods.

Why does it matter where I plant?

Trees are a beautiful part of our environment. But sometimes, we forget how large a tree will be when it is mature. Taking the time now to plan ahead and think about how large a tree will be can help avoid future maintenance issues.

DP&L is required to clear trees and shrubs that may interfere with the safety and reliability of the electric system. And DP&L crews must have access to maintain equipment. In an emergency, such as a fire, crews may have to remove a meter.

DP&L has information about landscaping, where to plant, and how certain insects may be affecting your trees and leading to power outages. Please visit our [website](http://www.dpand.com/education/landscaping-information) at www.dpand.com/education/landscaping-information.