

# Parkrose Street Tree Inventory and Tree Plan

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## Street Tree Inventory Findings

### Why Street Trees?

Street trees are a valuable asset to the community. Beyond aesthetic benefits, street trees improve air and water quality, provide shade, increase property value, and contribute to the safety and livability of the neighborhood.

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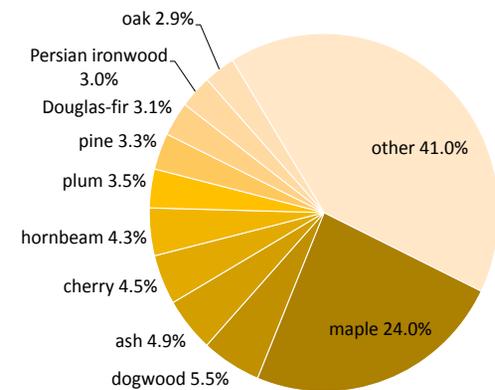
In 2015, the Parkrose Tree Team worked with Portland Parks & Recreation Urban Forestry to organize volunteers and conduct a street tree inventory.

It took 41 volunteers 164 hours plus additional staff time to collect data on tree species, size, tree condition, and site characteristics for all 1,517 street trees in the neighborhood.

After analyzing the results, the Parkrose Tree Team created a vision statement, set goals, created objectives, and made property owner recommendations designed to improve the health of the community's urban forest. The result is the Parkrose Tree Plan, which will guide the team's stewardship activities in future years.



### Most Common Street Trees in Parkrose



### Inventory Findings

- Parkrose has 1,503 trees of 77 types.
- Maples comprise about a quarter of all neighborhood street trees.
- 40% of all trees in Parkrose are under 6" diameter at breast height. This provides an opportunity for inexpensive young tree maintenance.
- 55% of trees are found in unimproved rights-of-way without curbs and/or sidewalks.
- Large and medium sites represent 88% of planting spaces in the neighborhood, which provides an advantage to the growth and longevity of street trees.
- Only 39% of all street tree planting spaces are currently stocked with trees. 1,510 empty spaces are available for planting, 376 of which are high-priority large sites without high voltage wires.
- The replacement cost of the street tree population is valued at \$6 million.
- Parkrose's street trees provide \$155,000 annually in environmental services and other benefits.

# Parkrose Tree Plan

## VISION STATEMENT

Strong trees, strong community. The Parkrose Tree Team strengthens community and its roots through tree maintenance, education, and planting efforts.

## GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

1. Provide community education on the value of trees as well as the importance of species diversity.
2. Hold an annual tree workshop.
3. Hold an annual neighborhood tree planting with Friends of Trees.
4. Work with Historic Parkrose to add trees along Sandy Boulevard.
5. Nominate significant trees for Heritage Tree status (Parkrose currently has no designated Heritage Trees).
6. Hold an annual neighborhood tree walk.
7. Continue to cultivate the Tree Team by adding new members.



## How you can help

### Join the Parkrose-Parkrose Heights Tree Team!

Take a leadership role and help us to achieve our goals, plan tree events and advocate for tree planting and maintenance in Parkrose. Contact us for more information.

### Look

Help us identify problem trees in the neighborhood.

### Learn

Visit us online at [parkrose.eastportland.org](http://parkrose.eastportland.org) to learn more about planting the right tree in the right place.

### Connect

Join neighbors at a tree workshop! Contact us for details.



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## Contacts

### Parkrose-Parkrose Heights Tree Team

[parkroseneighbors@gmail.com](mailto:parkroseneighbors@gmail.com)

Meetings are held at 7 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month as part of the Parkrose Neighborhood Association meeting (except August, November, and December)

Location: the Russellville Grange, 12105 NE Prescott

[www.parkrose.eastportland.org](http://www.parkrose.eastportland.org)

### Portland Parks & Recreation Urban Forestry

[www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/trees](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/trees)

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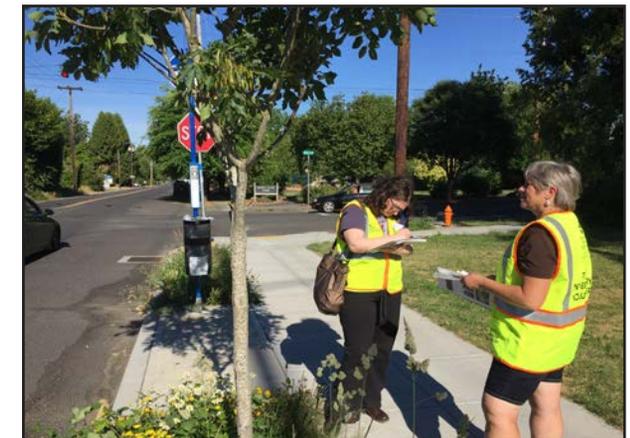
### Friends of Trees

[www.friendsoftrees.org](http://www.friendsoftrees.org)

503-282-8846

### Download the complete map and report

[www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/treeinventory](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/treeinventory)



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