



FREE Tree Day - June 27, 2016

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago



&
30th Ward Alderman Reboyras



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Monday **June 27, 2016**

3pm – 6pm

30th Ward City Service Office

3559 N. Milwaukee Ave

773-794-3095

INDIVIDUALS & COMMUNITY GROUPS CAN PARTICIPATE

Partnering with schools and other community groups within Cook County allows residents to enjoy the benefits of planting Restore the Canopy oak saplings right in their own communities for decades to come.

WHAT KIND OF TREES WILL BE GIVEN - VARIETY OF OAK TREES

Red Oak Bur Oak Pin Oak Shingle Oak

As leaves begin to appear, you will be able to identify which oak you have by its leaf shape. They will be given on a first come first serve basis.

The Restore the Canopy initiative empowers the residents of Cook County with an opportunity to restore our region's depleted tree canopy. The tree population has been decimated by emerald ash borer infestations and extreme weather. Not only do trees provide a beautiful green canopy for our communities, they are a powerful and effective form of green infrastructure. A medium-sized oak tree can help prevent flooding by absorbing 2,800 gallons of rainfall per year.

Trees are vital to our environment for many reasons:

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| 3 Reduce flooding | 3 Provide protection from wind |
| 3 Reduce air pollution | 3 Improve health and well being |
| 3 Keep neighborhoods cooler | 3 Buffer noise |
| 3 Create a sense of community | 3 Provide shade |
| 3 Lower energy bills | 3 Increase habitat for wildlife |
| 3 Increase property value | 3 Absorb carbon dioxide |
| | 3 Give oxygen |