

Idaho Nursery & Landscape Association
13601 W McMillan Rd. Ste 102 #252
Boise, Idaho 83713
Arbor Day Grant Program
Deadline Extension

2025 Arbor Day Grant Program “PLANTING IDAHO”

The Idaho Nursery and Landscape Association (INLA), in cooperation with the **Idaho Department of Lands (IDL)**, **Avista**, **Rocky Mountain Power**, and **Idaho Power**, is pleased to announce a program intended to help communities celebrate Arbor Day, plant appropriate trees for energy conservation and foster a stronger relationship between Idaho communities and the Green and Utility Industries. This year, 45 Arbor Day grants in the amount of \$350 will be awarded for “Planting Idaho”. Funding for this program is provided by the generous contributions of these Idaho utilities that have a large interest in healthy urban forests and having the **right tree planted in the right place**.

All Idaho communities are eligible to participate in the “Planting Idaho” program (unless they have received the grant previously in both 2023 and 2024). Grant funds can only be used for purchasing trees (excluding Fraxinus varieties) and shrubs and/or related planting and care materials for your community’s Arbor Day celebration. A lottery style drawing will be used to determine who receives each of the 45 available grants.

Applications, along with a signed Arbor Day proclamation, must be received by INLA no later than April 15, 2025 to be considered. Plant material must be purchased from an Idaho State Nursery & Floral license holder. A list of INLA members can be found at www.inlagrow.org so you can purchase quality plant material and receive reliable advice on selection, planting and care; thus, ensuring a significant positive impact on Idaho’s environment.

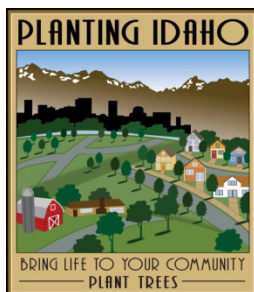
This is a **reimbursement** grant. Therefore, after being chosen for this grant, an **accomplishment report will be required** and grantee communities must submit copies of **paid invoices** for plant materials, with check numbers to receive reimbursement. Additionally, a match of 25% (\$87.50) in **cash or in-kind donation is required** by the grantee.

Idaho joins most other states in celebrating Arbor Day on Friday, April 25, 2025. However, trees and planting conditions don’t honor calendars – **your community may choose to celebrate Arbor Day on a different date.**



Questions? Nicole Edgar 208-985-3939 nicole@inlagrow.org

The application can be found online at: www.inlagrow.org



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Application Form (return by **April 15**)

Community Applying					
Contact Person					
Position					
Mailing Address					
City		State		Zip	
Email					
Phone / Cell					



1. When is your community planning to celebrate Arbor Day?		
2. Arbor Day Event: Describe the Arbor Day Celebration your community is planning and how this grant will help your community's celebration.		
3. Have you considered overhead utilities when selecting tree species for this site?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Authorized Signature: I certify the celebration described in this application is approved and supported by my city government.		
Date	Authorized Signature	Title



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OR email to: jacq@inlagrow.org OR nicole@inlagrow.org

Questions? Jacqueline Correnti OR Nicole Edgar: 208-985-3939
Website: inlagrow.org

Note: Applications may be returned by mail or email, but must be **received in the INLA office no later than April 15, 2025**. All applicants will be notified the week of April 21, 2025.

IMPORTANT

You **MUST** also submit a copy of your Arbor Day Proclamation signed by a community official with this application.

2025 Arbor Day Proclamation



Bring Life to Your Community!

Whereas, In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

Whereas, the holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

Whereas, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

Whereas, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, lower our heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife, and

Whereas, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and

Whereas, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

Whereas, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I _____

Representative of the City of _____ **do hereby proclaim**

_____ **as Arbor Day in the City of** _____

and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

Further, I urge all citizens to plant and care for trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Dated this _____ day of _____ in the year _____

City Official _____