

**Whitpain Township Shade Tree Commission  
Annual Work Plan  
Requirements for Tree City USA Recertification and Growth Award Achievement  
Five Year Plan for the Years 2007 through 2011**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Project Description</u>
	2007	B1	New Project or Organization	4	New tree planting project accomplished in partnership with Shady Grove Elementary School
		B6	Tree Planting on Private Property	4	250-leyland cypress distributed free to residents plus 125-bare root shade trees; posted on web site to encourage participation, care and commitment to greening through trees
		A13	Publicity Event	3	Aerial inventory of township from a helicopter resulted in significant press coverage and publicity
Sept	2008	B6	Tree Planting on Private Property	4	The Shade Tree Commission partnered with a local community homeowners' association to remove diseased and dangerous trees situated under power lines along a major road, and replaced them on a 2 for 1 ratio with more appropriate flowering pear trees that beautified a major corridor in Whitpain Township.
Oct		A13	Publicity Event	3	Planted a memorial tree at a local elementary school in remembrance of deceased students; besides funding a living memorial, the Shade Tree Commission arranged for press coverage of the dedication event and a memorial plaque.
Nov		A7	Youth Education	4	The Shade Tree Commission, in conjunction with the Oak Lane Day School, incorporated trees into the science curriculum of grades four through six. The Chair of the Shade Tree Commission was a guest lecturer at one of the science classes for each grade and was able to speak about the value of trees and the work of the Commission.
April	2009	N/A	Earth and Arbor Day Program (\$650 budget)	0	Community wide event coordinated with elementary schools
May		N/A	Beautification Program (\$6,500 budget)	0	Conduct the fifteenth annual shade tree beautification program
Year long		C1	Tree Maintenance Budget (\$10,000 budget)	9	Instituted a new line item to renovate and maintain trees identified in the 2009 Whitpain Township Heritage Tree Registry
Aug		C4	Tree Inventory and Analysis (\$5,000 budget)	7	Update the 2001 Whitpain Tree Registry
Jan	2010	B1	New Project or Organization (\$1,000 budget)	4	Collaborate with Montgomery County Community College to assist the college in earning the Arbor Day Foundation Tree Campus USA designation
April		N/A	Earth and Arbor Day Program (\$750 budget)	0	Community wide event coordinated with all local elementary schools
May		N/A	Beautification Program (\$9,000 budget)	0	Conduct the sixteenth annual shade tree beautification program, which distributes 400-trees to local residents
Jun		A13	Publicity Event (\$1,500 budget)	3	Measure and register local champion trees with the Bureau of Forestry Big Trees of Pennsylvania program; generate publicity and protection by encouraging local media to cover this program
Nov		A10	Continuing Education (\$6,000 budget)	6	Majority of Commission members to attend national tree conference and seminar
April	2011	N/A	Earth and Arbor Day Program	0	Community wide event coordinated with all local elementary schools
May		N/A	Beautification Program	0	Conduct the seventeenth annual shade tree beautification program
TBD		A4	Local Awards Program	3	Develop local recognition program
TBD		B1	New Project or Organization	4	New project or partnership to be identified
TBD		A11	Tree-Care Workshops	4	Conduct Pennsylvania Horticultural Tree Tenders Program through partnership with a local school or community organization