

Around the Green

The Tree Edition

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The Village of Clinton Tree Committee was established in 2021 with the mission of ensuring the protection and utilization of our Tree Asset, resulting in a healthy environment for the Clinton community. In May of 2021, the Davey Resource Group, Inc. completed a tree inventory for the Village of Clinton. The inventory included 980 trees, stumps, and vacant planting sites. Through this intinerary, they concluded that supporting and funding proactive maintenance of Clinton's trees is an important long-term investment that will reduce tree management costs over time. This edition of *Around the Green* provides an introduction to the Tree Committee, its goals, and the projects they are working on!

What has the Tree Committee been up to?

MAJOR Steps

The Village Tree Committee

VOC Board Trustee/

Chair:

Rit Fuller

Arborists:

Mike Mahanna, Terry Hawkrigde

Clinton DPW

Superintendent:

Robert Rockwell

Citizens:

Joe Mcharris, Scott Jackson

Consultant:

Davey's Resource Group, Lori Brockelbank

Tree Maintenance

Vendor:

Greater Heights

A. Completed a tree Inventory that includes all trees on village property and ROW right of ways that is accessible to all through the Village Website.

B. Tree Management Plan: 7 year plan for the care of the Village Trees.

C. Provision of adequate funding for Trees (Village budget raised from \$10k to \$30k per year).

D. Applied to be labeled a Tree City USA through the Arbor Day Foundation!

Other Actions:

A. Arbor Day Celebration 2023, annually.

B. Applied for a NYS grant for actions in Tree Plan.

C. Ash Tree and Major Hazard Trees taken care of in 2022-2023.

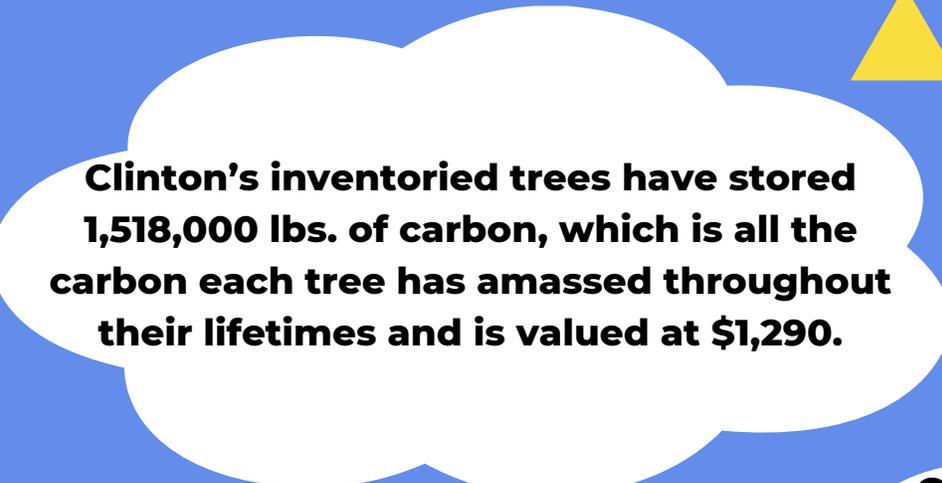
D. Identification of replacement species of trees for future planting.

E. DOT replacement of trees on College and Utica Streets.

Benefits of the Public Tree Resource



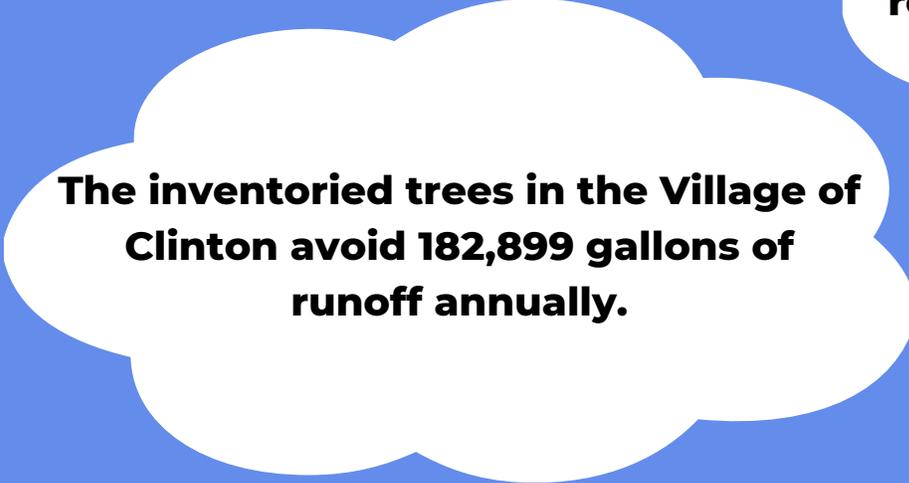
For more information about the tree resource in Clinton and to see our Tree Keeper software, go to the “Tree Inventory” section of our website!



Clinton’s inventoried trees have stored **1,518,000 lbs. of carbon**, which is all the carbon each tree has amassed throughout their lifetimes and is valued at **\$1,290**.



Clinton’s tree resource has removed **345 lbs. of airborne pollutants**.



The inventoried trees in the Village of Clinton avoid **182,899 gallons of runoff annually**.



The Tree Committee's Preferred Tree List

SMALL STREET TREES (For under power lines)

- European & American Hornbeams
- Paperbark Maple
- Thornless ("Cockspur") Hawthorn
- Japanese Tree Lilac
- Spring Snow Crabapple (fruitless)
- Prairie Rose Crabapple (fruitless)
- Hedge Maple
- Eastern Red Bud
- Kousa Dogwood & hybrids
- Stewartia
- Cornelian Cherry
- Shadblow
- Amur Maple

LARGE STREET TREES

- London Plane Tree
- Ginkgo biloba (male varieties only)
- Red Maples & varieties
- Freemanii Red Maples hybrid
- Little Leaf Linden & varieties
- White Oak
- Swamp White Oak
- Red Oak
- English Oak & hybrids
- Burr Oak & hybrids
- River Birch
- Honey Locust
- Asian Hybrid Elms - Triumph
- Zelkova
- Katsura
- Kentucky Coffee Tree
- Tupelo
- Sweetgum Hackberry



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