

City of Hastings Parks & Recreation

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Diseased Trees Hardship Relief Program

On June 10th, 2021 the Hastings City Council adopted a resolution creating a Hardship Relief Program for qualified individuals to help reduce costs associated with the removal and replacement of diseased or pest infested boulevard trees.

If you believe you may be eligible for this program, please check the box and provide the appropriate documentation for staff to verify your eligibility.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Property owners' household income is at or below 80% of the Low to Moderate-Income (LMI) of the individual or household median income for Dakota County; or
- Property owner has 4 or more affected boulevard trees that must be removed and replaced.
- ☐ I am an eligible property owner and I want to apply for the Diseased Tree Hardship Relief Program for my boulevard tree(s) removal and replacement.

Program Details:

If property owner is determined to be eligible, the City will hire a contractor to perform the work and will provide a <u>cost reduction of 40%</u> of the total costs for tree removal and replacement, up to a <u>cap of \$2,000</u>. The property owner will be responsible for the balance of the costs.

Property owners shall make payments for their portion of the costs in one of the following ways:

Please check the box next to your preferred option.

Pay the City in full upon receipt of an invoice; or
Allow the City to assess all of the costs against the property, which would be payable in full along with the following year's property taxes; or
Execute an assessment waiver and allow the City to assess all of the cost against the property as follows: <i>this is an additional process to be completed if this option is desired.</i>

- o For assessments less than \$10,000, such assessments will be payable over 5 years at an interest rate equivalent to the City's most recent interest rate for municipal bonds.
- o For assessments of \$10,000 or more, such assessments will be payable over 10 years at an interest rate equivalent to the City's most recent interest rate for municipal bonds.

This form must be returned to the City Forester at 920 10th Street West, Hastings, MN 55033 with supporting documentation.

CITY OF HASTINGS HARDSHIP RELIEF PROGRAM

2021 Income Limits

Median Inc. = \$104,900 (effective June 1, 2021 for Dakota County)

Income	1 person	2 person	3 person	4 person	5 person	6 person	7 person	8 person
Limits	household							
30%	\$22,050	\$25,200	\$28,350	\$31,450	\$34,000	\$36,500	\$39,000	\$41,550
50%	\$36,750	\$42,000	\$47,250	\$52,450	\$56,650	\$60,850	\$65,050	\$69,250
80%*	\$55,950	\$63,950	\$71,950	\$79,900	\$86,300	\$92,700	\$99,100	\$105,500