2018 TREES FOR TRIBS GRANT PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS

Town of Brookhaven, Suffolk County
*Reforestation of Bay Avenue Farm, East Moriches, $27,347*

The Town of Brookhaven will plant native trees and shrubs along 100-feet of a tributary of the Moriches Bay, within the South Shore Estuary Reserve. The project location was once a farm that is now a fallow field and the creation of a buffer will help stop further erosion of the streambank.

Erie County Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry
*Isle View Tree Planting Project, $11,757.80*

The Erie County Department of Park, Recreation & Forestry project location is along the Niagara River in Isle View Park in the Town of Tonawanda. After removing invasive species and dead ash trees along the river, the grant funds will be used to plant over 160 native trees to reestablish the river’s buffer.

Finger Lakes Cultural & Natural History Museum, Yates & Steuben counties
*Sugar Creek Restoration Project, $38,000*

The Finger Lakes Cultural & Natural History Museum plans to improve a forested buffer along Sugar Creek, a main tributary to Keuka Lake, by planting native trees and shrubs on the banks of three properties - the Finger Lakes Museum & Aquarium, the Izaak Walton League Center and the Branchport Fire Department. This buffer improvement will benefit two designated wetland areas located on the properties, as well as the wildlife species that the wetlands support such as the eastern spiny softshell turtle. Approximately 13-acres will be improved overall.

Housatonic Valley Association, Columbia & Dutchess counties
*Partnering to Restore Streamside Vegetation in New York’s Housatonic Valley, $49,030.75*

The Housatonic Valley Association plans to restore 1.2-acres of riparian corridor in two different watersheds within NY’s Housatonic River Valley. The project site in the Green River watershed is located at the Austerlitz Historical Society and will restore 300-feet along one side of the Green River. The project site in the Ten Mile River watershed is located on the Wells Brook in the Town of Dover and will restore 600-feet on each side of the river (1200-feet total).

Town of North Hempstead, Nassau County
*Trees for Manhasset Valley Park, $37,500*

The Town of North Hempstead’s project locations are in the Manhasset Valley and Whitney Pond Parks. These parks surround an interconnected tributary, which intercepts runoff from higher elevations
and drains into Manhasset Bay of the Long Island Sound. Trees will be planted to replace those that were lost six years ago during Superstorm Sandy, which devastated the region.

**Onondaga Environmental Institute, Inc., Onondaga County**

*Riparian restoration of the Ley Creek watershed, $88,045*

The Onondaga Environmental Institute’s project will improve a riparian buffer in the Ley Creek watershed in East Syracuse. Staff will plant native trees and shrubs with assistance from the Onondaga Earth Corps, an environmental organization dedicated to engaging youth in hands-on community and environmental service learning projects and training them for future careers in environmental fields.

**Town of Richmond, Ontario County**

*Sandy Bottom Park Trees for Tribs, $18,598*

The Town of Richmond plans to replace ash trees that were attacked by the invasive emerald ash borer. Over 400 dead and dying ash will be removed from the Sandy Bottom Park and Trail area this winter in preparation for replanting in the spring with native, non-ash species. The new tree and shrub plantings will restore a healthy buffer to the Honeoye Creek and improve a wetland buffer near the Richmond Town Hall.

**Seatuck Environmental Association, Suffolk County**

*Upper Penataquit Creek Riparian Restoration, $28,600*

Seatuck Environmental Association seeks to restore and enhance nearly 500-feet of riparian buffer along an urban stream on Long Island’s south shore. They will remove invasive species and replace them with a diverse native plant community. This project is part of a broader effort to rebuild the resiliency of the Penataquit Creek, a coastal stream.

**Town of Whitestown, Oneida County**

*Sauquoit Creek Channel & Floodplain Restoration Project, Lower Sauquoit Creek, $25,000*

The Town of Whitestown tree planting project is part of a larger excavation and grading project of two engineered floodplains along Dunham Manor Park. The tree planting will positively impact water quality, reduce sediment transport, and provide enhanced aquatic habitat.

**Town of Winfield, Herkimer County**

*Town of Winfield Memorial Park Riparian Tree Planting, $56,000*

The Town of Winfield will plant trees in the Town of Winfield Memorial Park along the Unadilla River and the North Winfield Creek. These streamside plantings will provide improved wildlife habitat and much needed shade that was lost during a 2014 storm that destroyed a pine plantation.