
ANNUAL PLANT SALE COST-SHARE PROGRAM

Thank you for your interest in the Village's Annual Plant Sale Cost-Share Program. The program allows residents to pre-order native trees, shrubs, & ground plants suitable to a site for reduced prices. The Village Ecologist and Riverwoods Plant Committee members are available by phone to answer questions regarding the selection and purchase of appropriate plant material to enhance natural areas. It is important to note that the Village contains several different types of woodlands so it is important to choose native trees, shrubs, and ground plants that are appropriate for the natural community in which you live. A map of the Village's natural community zones is available at the Village Hall at 300 Portwine Road or on the Village website at <http://villageofriverwoods.com/plantsale/>.

The Village Ecologist will attend the plant sale and provide the opportunity for residents to learn about the Village's ecology including woodlands, wetlands, and prairie. Residents can also meet individually with the Village Ecologist for a \$75 fee to discuss site conditions, possible restoration opportunities, and appropriate native plant selection.

The Riverwoods Plant Committee organizes and runs the sale each year in May. Watch for more information in the April Village Voice which includes the plant sale order form or call the committee chairmen: Margie Kaul (847-945-5131), Sheila Hollander (847-945-4879).

The Annual Plant Sale allows residents to purchase primarily native trees and shrubs at reduced prices (subject to availability). However, the Village Ecologist and Plant Sale Committee encourage residents to choose these plants based on appropriate zone and/or sun and soil conditions listed for each selection. The Riverwoods Plant Committee is instructed to limit each household to a discount of up to \$400 for trees (a 50% discount on purchases up to \$800) and up to \$200 for shrubs (a 50% discount on purchases up to \$400). Residents are responsible for paying their 50% of the cost at the time of purchase. Any purchases by residents in excess of those amounts will not be eligible for discounted prices. It is important to note that plant material purchased via the plant sale is not applicable toward other Ecological Cost-Share Programs.

Process for Ordering:

1. Make native tree, shrub, and plant selections from the annual plant sale order form based on the ecological community (zone) and/or appropriate sun/soil conditions in which you live. The mapping of ecological community zones has been undertaken by the Village Ecologist and has resulted in a detailed understanding not previously realized in the Village, and an important purpose of the program is for the Village to encourage plant selections that are likely to do well in a given area of the Village. A map of the Village's ecological communities is available at Village Hall at 300 Portwine Road or on the Village website at <http://villageofriverwoods.com/plantsale/>.
2. Purchase orders at discounted prices will be accepted **only** for tree and shrub selections that are generally appropriate for the ecological community (zone) in which you live.
3. The accepted order form will indicate the amount of discount available to your purchases.