

I O W A U R B A N T R E E C O U N C I L

Dear Nominators:

This year the Iowa Urban and Community Forestry Council became a non-profit. With our new status we have had a name change and are now the **Iowa Urban Tree Council**. This process was done so the council could become more active in advancing urban forestry throughout Iowa.

As a partner and host of the annual Urban Forestry Awards Luncheon we are seeking nominations of exceptional individuals or organizations, so we can honor their work in urban forestry. The Iowa Urban Tree Council urges you to take the time to nominate an individual or organization within your community for consideration for a special recognition award, to be presented by the Council at its annual luncheon on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at the Stoney Creek Inn, located in Johnston. The nomination form is due **February 1st, 2014**.

To help the Council make its determination of this year's award winners, it is very important that the information contained in the nomination be complete and well presented. The Council would ask that nominators make a special effort to thoroughly describe the accomplishments and projects that distinguish the nominee.

It would be appreciated if the nomination can be presented within the recommended length of two or less pages of text, as well as any supporting documents, including examples of event programs, developed training materials, photos, or plans of completed projects.

Hopefully, by following this format the Council can give fair consideration to and make comparison between nominees. The Council looks forward to seeing many of you at the annual luncheon, where the awards will be presented.

If you have any questions, or would like more information feel free to contact Shane Donegan. Contact info is below.

Sincerely,

The Iowa Urban Tree Council

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2014 IOWA URBAN FORESTRY AWARDS NOMINATION & ENTRY FORM

Individuals, groups of people and organizations do an outstanding job across the state in planting and caring for trees within our communities. Please take the time to nominate worthy Iowans for the following awards of recognition from the Iowa Urban Tree Council. Winners and their families will be invited to the Community Forestry Awards Luncheon on Thursday, April 3, 2014 in Johnston to receive appropriate recognition.

I am nominating in the following Award Category (check all applicable awards)

- _____ **Outstanding Volunteer:** An individual who has made a long term contribution to tree planting and care in your community.
- _____ **Outstanding Professional:** A professional employee who exemplifies sound tree management, the ability to build partnerships, work with volunteers, someone who has encouraged urban forestry.
- _____ **Outstanding Youth Project/Program:** A project or program planned and implemented by youth (May be a youth organization, school or individual).
- _____ **Outstanding Community Organization:** A formal group or organization of local volunteers that have implemented a successful community tree planting and care program.
- _____ **Outstanding Local Partner:** A local business or organization that demonstrates ongoing support and commitment to its community's tree program.
- _____ **Outstanding Media Partner:** An individual or organization of the media who has shown ongoing support of trees and community forestry.
- _____ **Outstanding Civic Leader:** A community or neighborhood tree advocate who demonstrates leadership in developing and enhancing a community's tree resources or building support for a sustainable urban forest.

Name of Nominee: _____	Street Address: _____
City/ St/Zip _____	Telephone: _____ (Cell) _____
E-mail: _____	

Nomination made by: _____	Street Address: _____
City/ St/Zip _____	Telephone: _____ (Cell) _____
E-mail: _____	

Brief Description of nominee:

Attach additional detail about accomplishments and why you are nominating (2 pages or less of text). Attach supporting documentation, photos, articles, etc. All entries must be received before: **February 1, 2014.**

Mail, e-mail or fax completed entry to: **Shane Donegan**, Urban Forestry Specialist, Iowa Department of Natural Resources – Bureau of Forestry 502 East Ninth Street, Des Moines, Iowa, 50319-0034, Phone: (515) 242-5699, Fax (515) 281-6794, Shane.Donegan@dnr.iowa.gov

Further Description: