# BENTON PARK WEST NEIGHBORS CARING FOR THE CANOPY

#### WHY DO WE NEED NEIGHBORHOOD FORESTERS?

- NUMBER, HEALTH OF TREES IMPACT NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS'
  - MENTAL WELLBEING
  - PHYSICAL HEALTH
  - SAFETY
  - SENSE OF COMMUNITY
- OUR TREES ARE STRUGGLING & NEED MORE ROUTINE CARE
- EXISTING SERVICES CAN'T MEET THIS NEED

### HOW CAN NEIGHBORHOOD FORESTERS MEET OUR TREE CARE NEEDS?

RESIDENTS WANTING TO CARE FOR NEIGHBORHOOD TREES CAN

- ATTEND FREE TRAININGS TO LEARN BASIC TREE CARE
- COMMIT TO SERVE AS A NEIGHBORHOOD FORESTER
- RECEIVE FREE TREE CARE TOOLS AND SAFETY GEAR
- VOLUNTEER
  - PARTICIPATE IN ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD TREE INVENTORY
  - PARTNER WITH FELLOW BPW NEIGHBORHOOD FORESTERS
  - HELP ADDRESS ISSUES & OPPORTUNITIES FOUND IN CANOPY
  - SHARE IMPORTANCE OF TREE CARE WITH NEIGHBORS

#### WHY BE A NEIGHBORHOOD FORESTER?

- LEARN ABOUT & ENJOY MORE OF NATURE & YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD
- SUPPORTIVE VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY CELEBRATING EACH OTHERS' WORK
- OBSERVE/QUANTIFY IMPACT OF YOUR VOLUNTEERING
- MAKE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE
- MEET NEIGHBORS AND MAKE FRIENDS
- EXERCISE AND GET OUTDOORS
- BE PART OF SOMETHING IMPORTANT!

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