

Trees for Arbor Day Giveaway

Summary: These are our tentative giveaway species and quantities based off previous discussions and current availability per plantant.com. In order to get the species diversity we would like in the sizes we need (3G for ease of pick-up for residents), it seems that Chiapinni Native Nursery is our best bet, though they are not an approved vendor. Total price based off stock prices listed on plantant.com and based off the quantity (25 per species) will be **\$1,810.50**. Please note that CBB has expressed some interest in maybe adding more trees, since their budget for this has increased. This just gets a bit complicated if I am purchasing through credit card due to \$2,000.00 limit.

Last, I was informed, the Urban Forestry Division did not have access to the Tree Mitigation Fund account. Because of this, CBB will ultimately be paying for this using their account, but will need initial purchase to be performed with a VISA card, as Chiapinni is not an approved vendor. No POs can be used. The plan is to use the Department of Sustainable Development's credit card for this purchase using the CBB's account.

We can of course utilize our other approved vendors as needed and based on their size availability as well.

Location of event will be at Morning Side Nature Park and Nature Ops is helping us out. I was thinking we could theme the giveaway more around native trees, including native fruit/production trees. With that said, CBB members did discuss interest in giving away more fruit trees. I would just be concerned over competition for more "fun" fruit trees unless that is what we want to ultimately theme the giveaway around (though Linda and team seemed excited to just focus on natives, and I personally agree).

Chiapinni Native Nursery

Shade Trees= Total: \$687.50

- Sand Live Oak or live oak (*Quercus geminata*; *Q. virginiana*)
 - 3G @ \$5.50(25) = 137.50
- Magnolia (*Magnolia grandiflora*)
 - 3G @ \$5.50(25) = 137.50
- Pond Cypress (*Taxodium ascendens*)
 - 3G @ \$5.50(25) = 137.50
- Longleaf Pine (*Pinus palustris*)

- 3G @ \$5.50(25) = 137.50
- Florida/Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*)
 - 3G @ \$5.50(25) = 137.50

Understory Flowering Trees = Total: \$375.00

- Red Buckeye (*Aesculus pavia*)
 - 3G @ \$7.50(25) = 187.50
- Fringetree (*Chionanthus virginicus*)
 - 3G @ \$7.50(25) = 187.5

Native Fruit Trees = Total: \$748.00

- Persimmon (*Diospyros virginiana*)
 - 3G @ \$7.50(25) = 187.50
- Chickasaw Plum (*Prunus angustifolia*) –
 - 3G @ \$7.50(25) = 187.50
- Red Mulberry (*Morus rubra*)
 - 3G @ \$7.50(25) = 187.50
- Yaupon Holly (*Ilex vomitoria*) – Not exactly fruit, but leaves can be made into a caffeinated tea and I think it would be cool to introduce this to more people.
 - 3G @ 7.50(25) = 187.50