

# Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee Project Proposal Application Form

## Project Proposal

In 1964, Elizabeth R. Dean bequeathed \$2 million to the City of Ann Arbor for the income to be used “to be held in trust in perpetuity, to repair, maintain and replace trees on city property.” The trust is managed by the Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee, which accepts, reviews, and considers proposals for special tree planting and maintenance projects to enhance Ann Arbor’s urban and community forest as one of the allocations of the income.

## Project Evaluation & Selection Criteria

Projects must provide for open and equal access to all citizens, thereby deriving benefits to the entire community. The Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee has identified the following priority outcomes and areas/locations where it would like to focus funding towards.

### Outcomes

- Neighborhood enhancement with shade, privacy, and noise reduction
- Beautification
- Building environmental stewardship
- Maintain and enhance biodiversity

### Locations

- Neighborhood streets
- Proposals submitted by neighborhood organizations
- Neighborhood parks
- Public housing sites
- Community centers / libraries
- Major streets, particularly those that have had significant loss of trees

## Applicant Information

Applicant name

Phone number

Email address

Organization

# Project Proposal Information

Please answer the following questions as concisely as possible (attach a separate sheet if necessary). If your proposal is considered for funding, you may be asked to attend a Dean Fund Committee meeting to further explain your project.

1. Describe the project. Please include the nearest cross streets or other details to identify the specific location.

2. How does the project meet one or more of the outcomes listed above?

3. Have you sought other sources of funding, including matching funding opportunities?

No

Yes (describe)

4. Please check the box for each proposed activity and provide the estimated number of trees per activity type.

Planting

Removal

Stump removal

Pruning

Other  
(describe)

5. If approved for funding, how will you or your group support this project? Check all that apply.

Monetary  
contribution

Maintenance

Project promotion

Other  
(describe)

6. Have you talked over your project with community members, city staff, EDFC members, or city council members? Check all that apply.

EDFC members

City staff

City council members

Community members

7. Are you interested in serving on the Elizabeth Dean Fund Commit?

Yes

No

I need more information

Email completed applications to:

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