

Clarks Summit Borough

Clarks Summit Shade Tree Inventory, Phase II

Project Manager: Thomas Roberts

1998 Grant Award: \$15,000

The goal of the **Clarks Summit Shade Tree Inventory** was to identify trees in need of management throughout the borough. In 1997, the borough received funding from this Program for Phase I of the work. As a result of that effort, the borough learned that it had many damaged and dangerous trees.

Funding for **Phase II** of this inventory supported the completion of another portion of the tree assessment, pruning of shade trees, and the removal of hazardous trees. The project also examined how to best replace the species and maintain new plantings.

Project Accomplishments

- Planted 42 trees including 1 evergreen, 41 deciduous, 39 canopy, and 3 flowering;
- Ross Doolin, certified arborist, assessed 364 trees;
- Pruned 180 and removed 7 hazardous trees;
- Ground 1 stump;
- Passed resolution to observe Arbor Day in October;
- Matched 83% of the total project cost for the pruning, removal, and replanting costs; and
- Received Tree City USA Award.

Project Value and Match

Grant Award	\$15,000
Cash Contributions	\$73,206
In-kind Contributions	\$ 400
Total Project Value	\$88,606

Project Partnerships

Abington Journal - publicity

Anthony Santoli, PA DCNR, Bureau of Forestry – guidance

Clark Summit Borough Council – financial support

Clarks Summit Borough Shade Tree Commission – volunteer management and project oversight

Clarks Summit Residents – tree care and overall support

Lackawanna County Soil Conservation District – technical assistance

Penn DOT – project coordination

Ross Doolin – professional services

The Scranton Times – publicity

Suburban Weekly – publicity

Vincent Cotrone, Penn State Cooperative Extension – technical assistance