# Trees & Trash Action Campaign (TTAC) Sustainable Jersey City 2022 Summary and 2023 Season Information Session



# SJC Green Infrastructure Program - Buildings, Streetscapes and Trees

# **Tree Stewardship Projects We Started**

# Phase 1 / 2020 Goal #1 = Understand Scope & Cause of Tree Canopy Deterioration !

- OpenTreeMap Citizen Science Street Tree Mapping Project 2020-2021 "We can't manage what we don't measure" - <u>SJC GIS Canopy Assessment 2020</u>
- University of Vt Spatial Analytics Lab Grant Satellite Assessment of all JC Trees / Street, Park and Private Land (rcvd funding in 2021, study to be executed in 2023)
- Davey Tree Experts City Inventory Started in 2021, to be completed in 2023

# Phase 2 / 2022 - Ongoing Goal = Take Better Care of the Trees We Have !

• Trees & Trash Action Campaign (Phase 2 started in 2022 to continue in 2023)

Phase 3 / 2022 - Ongoing Goal = Plant More Trees !

• Green Corridors Program (Phase 2) - City Has Agreed To Make Schools More Centric

# Do you know about the JC Shade Tree Committee ?

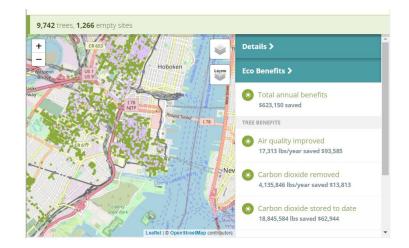
### Tree Stewardship Projects Kicking Off Phase 1

**OpenTreeMap – SJC Citizen Science Tree Mapping Project 2020-2021** *"We can't manage what we don't measure"* 

• Trained over 350 Tree Mappers 2020 – 2021 / Mapped a total of 9,711 Trees Mapped

### o In-Person Group Mapping Events Held in 2021

- JC Reservoir April 2021 (prior to construction start)
- Powerhouse Event April 2021
- Speer Cemetery Event May 1<sup>st</sup> 2021
- Harsimus Cemetery Event May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2021
- McGinley Square June 21<sup>st</sup> 2021
- Columbia Park Greenville August 14<sup>th</sup> 2021
- Bayside Park September 18th 2021
- Downtown Area October 16<sup>th</sup> 10am



- 7 Neighborhoods Completely Done / 3,591 Trees Five Corners, Harsimus Cove, Hilltop, India Square, Journal Square, Paulus Hook, West End
- Pressed City of Jersey City Sustainability / Office of Sustainability To Complete A Professional Tree Inventory & Risk Assessment by Dave Tree Experts - Currently Underway

### Trees Stewardship Projects In Progress – Phase 2 Trees & Trash Action Campaign (TTAC) - 2022 Impact Report

#### **Trees served**

Greenville: 47 The Heights: 56 Hamilton Park: 63 Journal Square + West Side Ave: 105

#### Total: 271

#### **Trash collected**

Greenville: 250 lbs The Heights: 650 lbs Hamilton Park: 400 lbs Journal Square + West Side Ave: 650 lbs

#### Total: 1,950 lbs

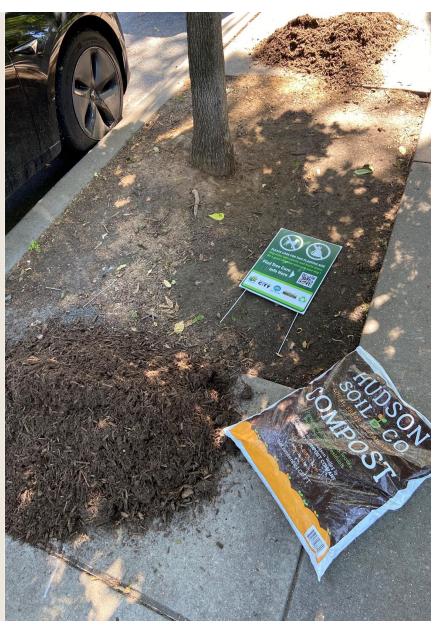
#### Volunteer turnout

Greenville: 20 The Heights: 25 Hamilton Park: 28 Journal Square + West Side Ave: 40

#### Partnerships leveraged

Clean Green Jersey Hudson County Improvement Authority Jersey City Health and Human Services Journal Square Community Association West Side Community Association Hamilton Park Neighborhood Association Jersey City Fire Department Jersey City Department of Public Works Jersey City Division of Recycling Jersey City Recreation Department Jersey City Division of Parks Jersey City Board of Education Jersey City Public School #26 Jersey City Infrastructure Department Jersey City Sustainability Division Community Compost Company Home Depot

#### Total: 17



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# **Trees & Trash Action Campaign (TTAC) - 2023 Program Planning**

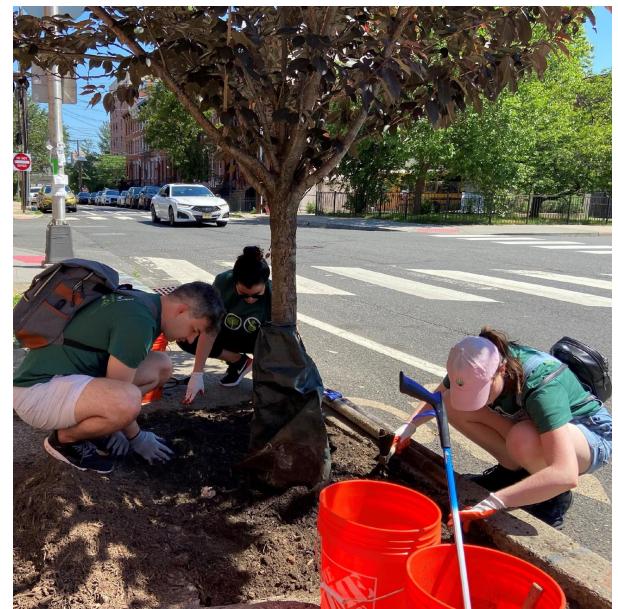
## SJC Will Partner With GNA To Roll Out This Program Across Block Associations

- Recommend weekly planning meetings logistics and volunteer recruitment
  - Dates for events, locations, logistical planning, e.g., coordinate delivery / procurement of materials for event day
  - Meet ahead of time w/ City Officials & other Partners to sync planning details and their participation
  - Develop Checklist / Budget
  - Don't forget about neighborhood outreach Door Hangers, Educational Flyers
- Materials (Provided by SJC and/or City In-kind and Budget Support):
  - Tools
  - Signage including Door Hangers
  - Mulch / Compost
  - T'Shirts
  - Snacks / water for volunteers
- Event Staffing:
  - Table / Home Base
  - Mulch / Wheelbarrow Runners
  - T-shirt / tools, signage management
  - Cleanup (important!)



TTAC 2022 Success Based On Volunteer Turnout & Teams Working Together ! Our Goal Is Environmental Stewardship For Every Neighborhood





Trees & Trash Action Campaign Volunteer Recruitment -Neighborhood & Block Associations, School Teams, Church Groups, Youth Programs



### **Trees & Trash Action Campaign - Neighborhood Environmental Stewardship**

