

Dear Village of New Bremen Resident,

The Village of New Bremen is offering a Tree Lottery program to residents. This program is a great way to provide trees to anyone wishing to have a tree on your private property. By investing in trees, you are helping our mission of preserving and beautifying our tree resources in the village. The many benefits of trees are listed below:

- Increased Property Value
 - Young Small Tree Value = \$100 - \$400
 - Large Mature Tree Value = \$1,000 – \$3,000
- 10-40% Home Energy Savings in the Summer with Mature Trees
- Air Cooling and Purification
- Beautification of Village Streets
- Helps Prevent Soil Erosion and Reduces Storm Water Runoff

If you desire to enter the lottery and are selected through a random drawing, the Village will plant a tree on your private property within certain guidelines. The tree and the planting will be free of charge to the residents selected. Trees will be planted by the Village in the spring, the resident will be responsible for the watering and caring of the tree after planting.

Guidelines that must be followed to be approved for a tree include:

- The tree may NOT be planted in your street tree lawn (grass area between street and sidewalk)
- Trees cannot be planted near old stumps or where dead trees were removed.
- The tree must be planted on any side of the property facing a street. Not the backyard. The Village reserves the right to modify this at their discretion.
- Underground utility lines will be checked before planting and the tree must be clear of any utility lines underground or overhead.
- The property owner may select the type of tree from a recommended tree list provided by the Village of New Bremen. Only trees on the list may be used.

If you are interested in entering the Tree Lottery, please fill out the form on the back of this letter and return to the village office by the date listed on the form. A random drawing, of 25 residents, will take place in September at Pumpkinfest. Those residents drawn will be contacted will be mailed a letter of confirmation and instructions on selecting a tree and location. The Village must approve the tree site selected before final tree planting plans are confirmed. If you do not receive a confirmation letter by October 1st, you were not drawn to receive a tree and we encourage you to try again next year.

If you have any questions, you may call the New Bremen Parks Department at 419-629-3563 during normal working hours of 7:00 AM until 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. We appreciate your support of the Village's urban forestry programs.

Thank you for your time,
The Village of New Bremen

I would like to be entered into the 2019 New Bremen Tree Lottery Program and I acknowledge that if selected as a winner, that I will be responsible for the care, maintenance, watering, and staking of the tree and the Village will not be responsible for it.

Name:

Address:

Phone #:

*****Important*****

Please check before entering that enough space is adequate on your property for a tree and it will meet all the guidelines described in the letter attached. The tree must be planted on any side of the property facing a street. Not the backyard.

Please return this completed form by 4:00 PM on September 9th, 2019.

Mail this form or drop off in the night deposit box located at:

Village of New Bremen
214 North Washington St.
New Bremen, OH 45869