# Urban Tree Care & Management

2026 ReLeaf Workshop

**NOVEMBER 19, 2026**

Tifft Nature Preserve
Herb & Jane Darling Environmental Education Center
1200 Fuhrmann Boulevard
Buffalo, NY 14203

Continuing education credits, pending approval: ISA.

## Region 9 ReLeaf Urban Forestry Workshop

When it comes to increasing tree canopy in urban areas, the emphasis is often on planting. However, caring for the trees that are already there is equally important for maintaining and growing the canopy. The benefits that trees provide also increase as trees mature, making the efforts to protect and care for them worthwhile.

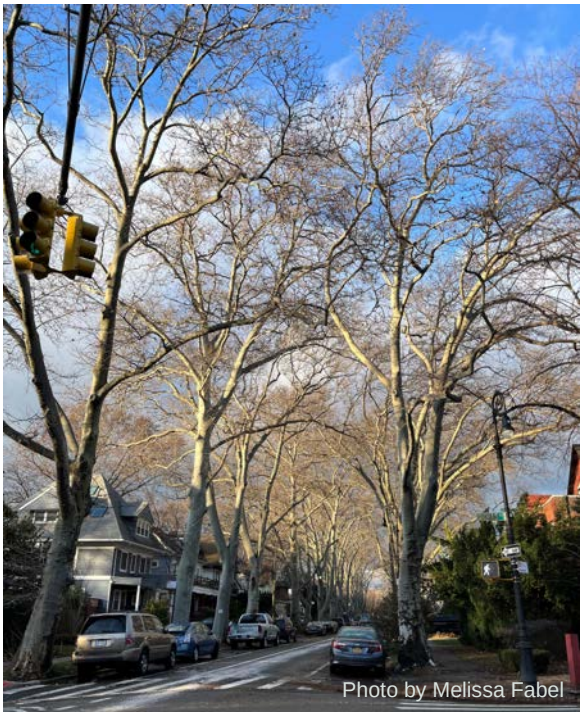
This full-day training will be a combination of in-person and virtual sessions that will cover a range of urban tree care and management-related topics.

The workshop will cover:

- Hazard tree assessments,
- Identifying tree health issues,
- Tree preservation during construction,
- Powerline safety, and
- Updates to Z133 standards.

**MAKE EVERY TREE COUNT!**

Help New York State meet its goal of planting 25 million trees by 2033! Whether you plant one tree or many, scan the QR code to enter it into the Tree Tracker. Visit on.ny.gov/25milliontrees for more information.



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## Program Details

**Check-in begins at 8:00 AM.**

**Program begins at 8:30 AM and runs until 3:00 PM.**

**Lunch is provided.**

### Program Speakers

**Chris Luley, PhD—**Owner, Urban Forest Diagnostics

**Bill Synder—**Consulting Arborist

**Glenn Gentzke—**President, Tree Services of WNY, LLC

**Tim Walsh—**Vice President, Safety & Training, The Townsend Company, LLC

### More Information

**For program information:**

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**For registration information:**

- urbanforestry@dec.ny.gov

**For information on other urban and community forestry events:**

- on.ny.gov/DECurbanforestry

## Urban Tree Care & Management

### Registration Information

To register for the November 19 workshop, visit: nysufc.org/releaf-workshops/.

**Registration closes November 16, 2026—or when full.**

**Space is limited!** No refunds will be given, but transfer of registration to another person is allowed. If you must cancel, please email urbanforestry@dec.ny.gov.

### Workshop Cost

**NYS Urban Forestry Council members and ReLeaf members: $30**

**Non-members: $40**

### Payment

Payment online during registration with a credit card is preferred, or you may mail a check or voucher after registering online.

If you need an invoice, please contact urbanforestry@dec.ny.gov after registering.

Payments are processed by the NYS Urban Forestry Council. Issues or questions with payments? Contact admin@nysufc.org

**If paying by check, make it payable to: NYS Urban Forestry Council.**

## New York's Community Forestry Partners

### New York ReLeaf

ReLeaf is a statewide program managed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) Urban and Community Forestry Program (UCF) Program in partnership with the NYS Urban Forestry Council (NYSUFC). ReLeaf brings together professionals and others to share information about our community forests and how to improve them. Volunteer members of ReLeaf include interested citizens, forestry professionals, representatives of environmental not-for-profits, local government officials, and municipal staff.

### New York State Urban Forestry Council

NYSUFC is a not-for-profit organization that advises and assists DEC's UCF Program in the implementation of statewide urban and community forestry programs.

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