Green Landscaping and Beautification

While surface water quality in the Township remains higher than several other areas in the Rouge River Watershed, it is critical to continue to maintain and protect these water features. In part, landscaping practices using trees and other vegetation will help protect water quality. Below is a summary of tree grants received in 2011-2012.

ARC Tree Grant
In the fall of 2011, EESD staff was able to procure 2 trees through an Alliance of Rouge Communities (ARC) grant. EESD staff was responsible for choosing the trees, picking up the trees, and planting of the trees. The trees were planted on the Bloomfield Township campus.

ARC Tree Grant
In the spring of 2012 the ARC obtained a grant from the MDNR for the procurement of trees. Bloomfield Township requested and was granted at total of 25 trees from the ARC. The ARC solicited for a single nursery supplier for the entire grant. EESD staff is handling the responsibilities of planning and planting of the trees. Two locations have been chosen for the 25 trees the Township will receive, with the planting taking place in fall in 2012.

MDOT Funded Tree Planting
Michigan Department of Transportation presented Bloomfield Township with $31,000.00 for beautifying the medians in the area near the Bloomfield Park Project. The EESD and DPW partnered to form a tree planting plan for this area. The result was the planting of 135 trees including the following species: Autumn Blaze Maple, Bald Cypress, Kentucky Coffee Tree, Thornless Hawthorne, Ohio Buckeye and Hackberry. The medians are adjacent to other beautification projects that have been performed along the MDOT trunk lines.