



**CHICAGO  
REGION  
TREES  
INITIATIVE**

Our Trees.  
Our Communities.  
Our Future.

## HELP TREES THRIVE

The Chicago Region Trees Initiative urges you to care for trees where you live. Here's how:

- **Trees need water.** Check the soil a few inches down. Is it dry? Pour three to four five-gallon buckets of water slowly near the tree or use a slow trickle from the hose for 15 minutes.
- **Mulch helps trees.** Spread mulch as far out as the branches reach, approximately three inches deep. Do not pile mulch or soil against the tree trunk.



**The Chicago Region Trees Initiative is a coalition of institutions, municipalities, and tree industry professionals actively improving the urban forest in the seven counties around Chicago.**

Learn the best ways to care for trees at [chicagorti.org/trecare](http://chicagorti.org/trecare).  
Trees need people's help. Thanks for doing your part.

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