River Forest Tree Trails: On My Block

Brought to you by the River Forest Sustainability Commission

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What You'll Need:

- String or measuring tape
- Sidewalk chalk
- A phone or laptop for the River Forest Tree Map: www.vrf.us/treemap

Instructions:

- Go to www.vrf.us/treemap to find the species of parkway trees.
- Grab your materials and look on the back of this sheet for some fun questions about trees on your block.
- Write what you found out about each magnificent tree on the sidewalk in front of it with chalk.

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For more information about sustainability in River Forest, visit vrf.us/guides/guide/7

Email a photo or scan of your answers to sustainability@vrf.us by October 31.

Get a chance to win three months of free curbside composting.

Take a photo or video next to your favorite tree and explain why you picked it.

Post on Instagram with #RFTreeTrails or on Facebook.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Use the Tree Map to identify some trees on your block! www.vrf.us/treemap

- Find the skinniest tree on your block. What kind of tree is it? How thin is it?

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- Hug the thickest tree on your block. What kind of tree is it? How thick is it?

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- Stand next to the shortest tree on your block. What kind of tree is it? How tall is it?

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- Look for the prettiest tree on your block. What kind of tree is it? Why do you think it's the prettiest?

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Trees store carbon and help fight climate change!

The oldest tree in the world is 5,066 years old!

A species of tree, The Giant Sequoia, is thought to be the largest organism in the world!

River Forest is a Tree City USA and an accredited arboretum.