

## **Georgia Forestry Commission**



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#### How Can GFC's U&CF Program Help?

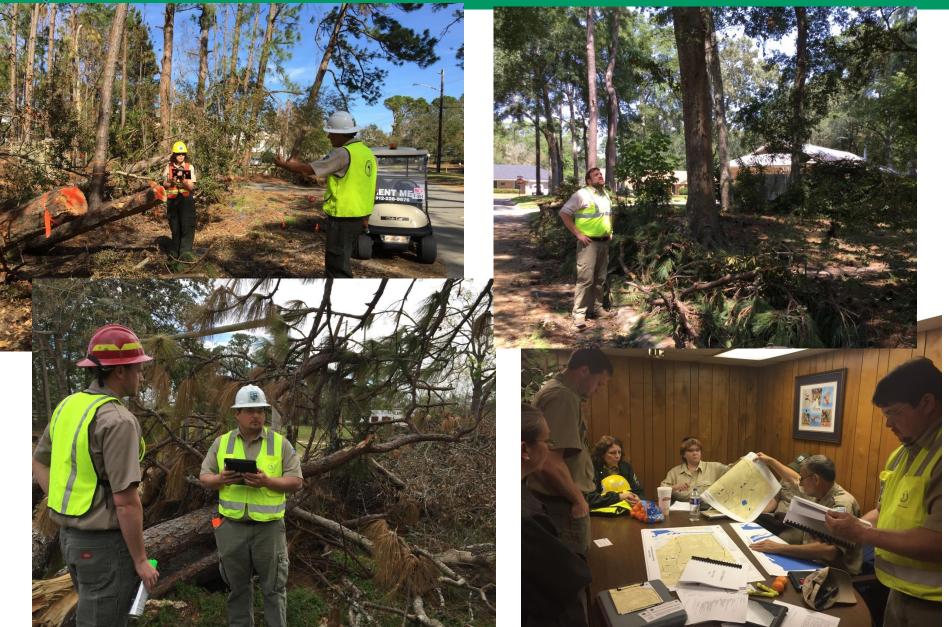
# **U&CF Provides Technical Advice & Resources:**



- Planning guidance
- Tree Management Plans
- Ordinances
- Mapping resources
- Ask the Arborist webpage
- Arbor Day celebrations
- Community events
- Training for staff & volunteers
- Presentations
- Publications & Fact sheets
- Storm plans
- Planting advice
- Urban Forest Strike Team
- Grants



## **Urban Forest Strike Team**



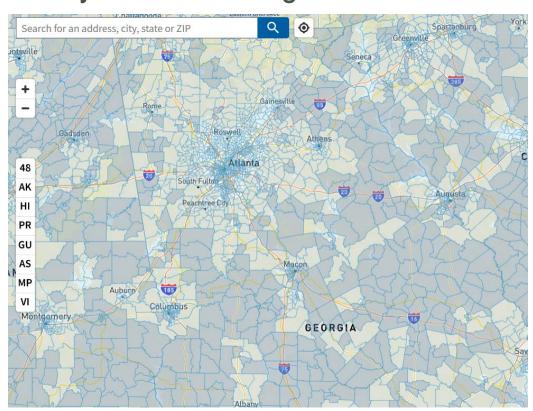


### **Inflation Reduction Act Funding**

\$1.5Billion for Urban & Community Forestry - USDA Forest Service

\*\*Priority is disadvantaged communities\*\*

Climate &
Economic
Justice
Screening Tool
(CEJST)



https://screeningtool.geoplatform.gov



#### **Financial Assistance**



## **Grant Programs:**

- Georgia ReLeaf
- Trees Across Georgia (TAG)
- Technical Assistance Project









## Georgia ReLeaf

- Partner program with
   Georgia Tree
- Tree planting/tree giveaways (containerized)
- Public property plantings
- Storm recovery/environmental benefits heat island mitigation, etc
- \$15,000 maximum
- If 100% disadvantaged, match waived.
- If not, 50% match in cash or in-kind.
- Application out in late June, early July





## **Trees Across Georgia (TAG)**

- Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funding
- Multitude of projects planning, mapping, staffing, larger planting projects, heat island mitigation, workforce development, urban wood utilization, etc.
- \$10,000 min., \$300K maximum per year for 4 yrs
- If 100% disadvantaged (PRIORITY), match waived.
- If not, 50% match in cash or in-kind.
- Application out in late July, early August



## **Technical Assistance Project**

- Partnership with Green Infrastructure Center (GIC)
- Technical assistance such as canopy mapping, codes audit, plantable spaces, budgeting, etc.
- Smaller communities (50,000 pop. and under)
- Needs determined by survey of current U&CF program
- Communities receive services, not funding
- Disadvantaged communities are Priority
- Survey & Application out in late August, early September





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