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Adopt An Ash – West Windsor !!!

The Adopt An Ash – West Windsor Program is a municipally sponsored way for residents who value street trees to help us save some of the wonderful Ash trees that will soon be lost to the invasive Emerald Ash Borer, if not protected.

For more information about the Emerald Ash Borer visit the Township web page www.westwindsortwp.org

1. PAY TO PROTECT A HEALTHY TREE FROM EAB

- Sign on to the Twp. AAA Protection Plan
Online: www.westwindsortwp.org or
Call: 609-799-2400 x 227
- West Windsor Township will provide your contact information to participating pre-qualified Arborists who will contact you to see if the street tree(s) on your street are healthy enough for protection / adoption and specific costs to do so.
- Cost range will be \$ 35–90 a year, per tree. The protection period will be 8 years.
- You pay the contractor. The contractor informs the Township of the tree location.
- The tree is treated at the appropriate time and tagged as an AAA-WW tree.
- The Twp. monitors the trees and program.

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2. PAY TO REPLACE AN EAB INFESTED TREE(S)

- Sign on to the Twp. AAA Replacement Plan
Online: www.westwindsortwp.org or
Call: 609-799-2400 x 227
- West Windsor Township will provide your contact information to 3 participating pre-qualified Arborists who will contact you to review the street trees on your street that will be lost to EAB infestation. They will review specific costs to remove the tree, grind the stump, and replace the tree(s) with new smaller tree of a different species.
- Cost will range from \$300–700 per tree. By adopting, a new tree will be planted sooner.
- You pay the contractor. The contractor informs the Township of the tree location.
- The Twp. monitors the trees and program.

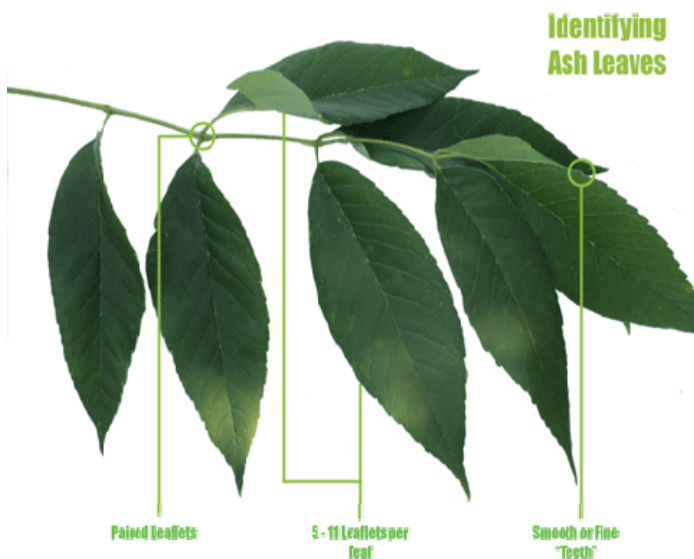


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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT Shade Tree Commission

EMERALD ASH BORER – FACT SHEET

- The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is a devastating parasitic insect that selectively attacks ash trees (*Fraxinus sp.*) – one of the more popular landscape trees for its fall colors.
- Introduced originally into the Midwest from Asia, the borer has now spread to New Jersey. An adult insect was identified in West Windsor June 10, 2015.
- Adult females lay their eggs under a tree's bark. Their larvae proceed to devour the tree's nutrient supply system, shutting off its supply of water and nutrients. Symptoms of EAB attack include canopy dieback. The tree will die within a few years if not treated.
- Proven treatments include systemic insecticides, applied by a certified arborist as a soil drench or by injections, repeated annually or biannually for several years.



- The option of doing nothing to protect or save a vulnerable tree is implicitly not inexpensive since, when the tree dies, it will have to be salvaged and its stump ground down or removed.
- A recent NJ quarantine order prohibits transportation of EAB-infected wood beyond the state borders.
- For additional information, consult the West Windsor Township's web site – <http://www.westwindsornj.org>

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