



Contact: Taryn Rosell
Marketing/PR Coordinator
Direct Development PR
P: 848.456.1070
E: taryn.rosell@directdevelopmentpr.com

October 16, 2018

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Town of Morristown Honored with Green Communities Achievement Award

MORRISTOWN, NJ - The Town of Morristown was recently selected as a municipal recipient of the 2018 Green Communities Achievement Award by the New Jersey Forest Service, the New Jersey Community Forestry Council and the New Jersey Tree Foundation. This award recognizes nominees whose outstanding efforts have greatly contributed to urban and community forestry. The awards honor up to four recipients per year in the following categories: Individual, Municipality, Business/Tree Care Industry, and Non-profit/Non-governmental organization.

“The Town of Morristown is honored to have been selected for the 2018 Green Communities Achievement Award,” said Mayor Timothy Dougherty. “We have worked hard to develop a program that enhances our town’s appearance and benefits the environment. By establishing the Shade Tree Commission (STC), we have been able to maintain, grow and appropriately manage our community forest.”

The award recognizes Morristown’s achievement in urban and community forestry for improving the environment through wise management of the trees and forest resources, the development of a self-sustaining local urban and community forest program, and enhancing the beauty of New Jersey’s cities and towns with programs and projects for trees and forests.

“We are very proud of our town and all that it accomplishes with supporting the protection, preservation, and propagation of our urban tree canopy,” said Kristin Ace, Chairperson of the Morristown STC. “We have only just begun with the environmental impact we plan to make and are thrilled to be recognized for our hard work and all that we have achieved so far.”

The awards will be presented at the 93rd annual New Jersey Shade Tree Federation conference dinner, held on Friday, October 19, 2018, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Cherry Hill.

About the Morristown Shade Tree Commission

The Morristown STC is responsible for regulation, planting, and care of shade and ornamental trees and shrubbery throughout town on public property. Among the objectives of the STC is the implementation of the Morristown Community Forestry Management Plan (CFMP), which includes: tree planting, tree maintenance, tree care disaster planning, tree hazard management, and public education, awareness and outreach.

###