

## Webster Groves Rotary Century Legacy Oak Tree Project

Webster Groves is known for a diverse overstory of 100 - 250-year-old oaks. Webster Groves Rotary estimates there are over 150 Century Oaks in Webster Groves. These oaks shade our streets, homes, and parks... lowering our urban temperature. Oaks are formidable carbon sequestering trees.

Last fall, the Rotary Club collected acorns from ten different species of our oldest and largest oaks. These oaks are long-lived trees, and each tree has proven adaptivity to Webster Groves. But many are entering the last phase of their long-life span.

It is time to renew Webster Groves oak canopy. The Rotary Club is accepting orders for two to five-foot-high potted progeny seedlings of these landmark Legacy Oaks. The seedlings are being grown professionally by the Forrest Keeling Nursery.

We will have first year oak seedlings from the following Webster Groves Legacy Oak species:

1. Black Oak
2. Bur Oak
3. Pin Oak
4. Post White Oak
5. Shingle Oak
6. Shumard Oak
7. Swamp White Oak
8. White Oak
9. White Oak hybrid
10. Willow Oak

The Rotary Club is taking orders now by species on the above list. Each potted legacy progeny tree will cost \$50. ORDER EARLY. SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED.

We will not know until September the number of each species or height of the potted tree ...probable potted range - 2-5 feet, varies by species. We will fulfill the order by species by the date ordered. If Rotary runs out of a species, then we will give you an opportunity to select another oak species from the inventory. We are expecting to make delivery in mid-September to mid-October in the ideal time for fall planting.

We will have a pickup at the Webster Groves Recreation Center on a date announced this fall. We will send an email to each order of the delivery date when known.

Place orders either by completing this form and mailing to: Rotary Club of Webster Groves, 45 West Lockwood, Webster Groves, Missouri 63119

Or you may email your form to: [websterlegacytrees@gmail.com](mailto:websterlegacytrees@gmail.com)

Or order on-line at: <https://forms.gle/zNd2iC81ARFY5997>

**Order Form: Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Species Preferred:** \_\_\_\_\_ **number of seedlings ( )**

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These oaks will one day be the future giants and landmarks of Webster Groves. Select a location that will add shade and character to your neighborhood and streets. We recommend planting at least 10-20 feet from sidewalk, street, home or from another tree.

**Oak Species Description** (Information Source "Trees Of Missouri " by Don Kurz)

**1. Black Oak** (*Quercus velutina*)

*Appearance: Medium - sized tree, up to 70 feet tall, with a wide spreading, open crown and tall straight trunk.*

**2. Bur Oak** (*Quercus macrocarpa Michaux*)

*Appearance: Medium to large tree, up to 80 feet tall, with a broad spreading, rounded crown, a massive trunk, and low, large spreading branches.*

**3. Pin Oak** (*Quercus palustris Muenchh*)

*Appearance: Large tree up to 100 feet tall, with a tall straight trunk, a pyramid- shaped crown.*

**4. Post White Oak** (*Quercus Stella Wangenh.*)

*Appearance: Small to medium -sized tree, up to 70-80 feet tall, with broad rounded crown and stout branches that are sometimes contorted.*

**5. Shingle Oak** (*Quercus im bricaria Michaux*)

*Appearance: Medium-sized tree, up to 80 feet tall, with a straight trunk and an open broadly rounded crown.*

**6. Shumard Oak** (*Quercus shumardii Buckley*)

*Appearance: Medium to large-sized tree, up to 100 feet tall, with a tall, straight trunk, stout branches, and and a large open crown.*

**7. Swamp White Oak** (*Quercus bicolor Willd.*)

*Appearance: Medium - sized tree, up to 80 feet tall, with an open, irregular rounded crown, ascending upper branches and somewhat pendulous lower branches.*

**8. White Oak** (*Quercus alba L. )*

*Large tree, up to 120 feet tall, with a long straight trunk and broad rounded crown.*

**9. White Oak Hybrid** (*Quercus alba with some red oak characteristics*)

*Appearance: Large tree, up to 100 feet tall with a massive straight trunk and broad rounded crown. West side of city hall...progeny to be donated to the city for public use.*

**10. Willow Oak** (*Quercus phellos L.*)

*Appearance: Medium to Large- sized tree, up to 80 feet tall, with a dense, pyramid-shaped crown becoming more rounded with age, a straight clear trunk; with willow-like leaves.*