Knox Inc. Free Tree Program

Knox Inc has been tasked by the City of Hartford to plant 1000 trees per year to revive the canopy that has been lost over the years. Actually in an average year they plant from 1200 to 1400 trees from lots of different sources with lots of different grants and on lots of properties.

As Ron Pitz, the Executive Director of Knox put it "back in the day, streets in Hartford were all lined with beautiful Elm trees and then came Dutch Elm disease and in a decade, they were all gone."

They've learned a lot since then, and one of the most important lessons is not to plant just one species of tree. They've also learned which trees do best where. So on Friday, the 24th, with the help of more than 50 volunteers from The Hartford and nearly 30 from Trinity Day School, a total of 60 trees got planted in Asylum Hill.

If you would like to take advantage of this program the contact information is listed below.

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