

Given this current dry spell, please consider looking out for private and public trees as you would for neighbors and animals that would be susceptible to exposure to high heat and lack of water.

Here are a few tips:

- For every inch of diameter of tree, provide 10 gallons of water every week. Here are some helpful watering tips from the Arbor Day Foundation.
- To avoid susceptibility to pathogens, avoid pruning while trees are heat/water stressed. If pruning is necessary avoid pruning more than 15 percent at one time.
- Consider contacting a Certified Arborists to come inspect your trees and provide recommendations for treatment. If unsure whether you can afford their services, they can let you know whether estimates are free.
- If you see public street trees that appear to be rapidly declining in health, potentially suffering a disease, or pose a safety hazard please contact the Township Arborist at 814-238-4651 or email at arborist@twp.ferguson.pa.us.

Thanks for caring for our township's many quiet, stoic and graceful neighbors.