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## Town of Branford receives \$1,000 grant to help fund tree planting.

The Town of Branford has received a \$1,000.00 grant from the New England Park Association to help fund tree planting along Melrose Avenue.

New England Park Association has awarded this grant to help fund some of the costs associated with the planting of trees along Melrose Avenue in Branford. Planting trees along Melrose Avenue will provide an attractive drive into the recreational areas located nearby, in addition to providing shade for the area, and as well as delineating the road and the recreational areas adjacent to the road. Diana Ross, Tree Warden, Inland Wetlands/Natural Resources Director did an excellent job in preparing the grant application and without her efforts this grant would not be possible.

New England is a region steeped in history and tradition among beautiful and diverse landscapes. For over 117 years, the New England Park Association (NEPA) has been serving and uniting Park and Recreation professionals in this unique region. Members exchange information and have the opportunity to develop knowledge and skills that make New England a better place to live, work, play and enjoy. As the oldest park association in America, NEPA offers a proud legacy and tradition of assisting association membership to provide quality public and private park facilities throughout the six state New England region.