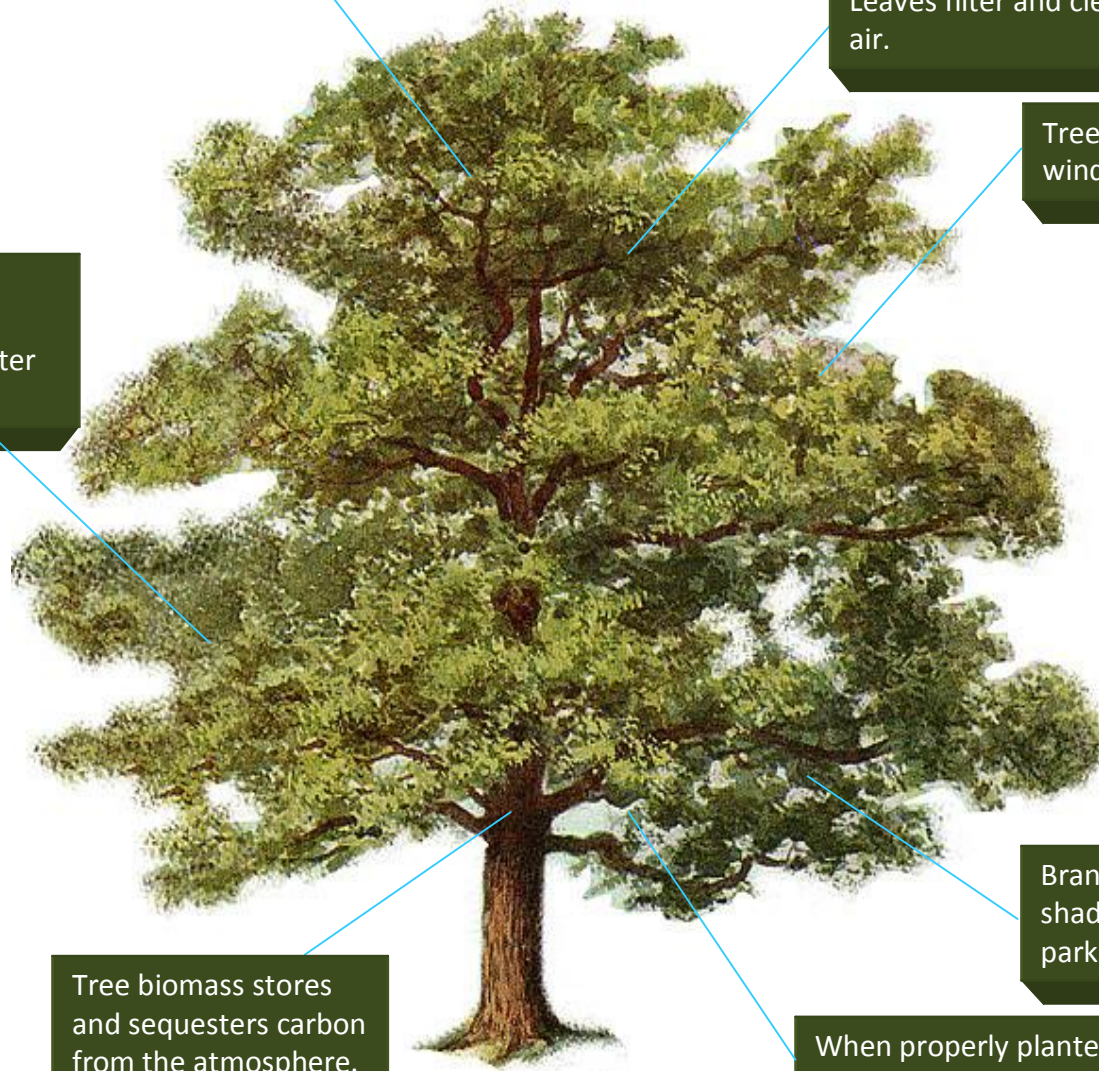


Trees provide essential habitat for urban wildlife.

Leaves filter and clean our air.

Trees create a buffer against wind and noise.

Urban forests intercept rainfall, and therefore decrease peak stormwater runoff and soil erosion.



Tree biomass stores and sequesters carbon from the atmosphere.

Branches and foliage provide shade for streets, playgrounds, parks and homes.

When properly planted and cared for, trees protect buildings and can decrease heating and cooling demands