1 Million Trees Campaign

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Overview

- Introduction
- Context
- Project Description
- Partnership Opportunities
- Next Steps



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SCAP Snapshot

Overall goal:
 Achieve 80% reduction in GHGs
 by 2050

- Key themes:
 - Elevate partnerships
 - Address multiple benefits of climate action
 - Integrate equity and social justice



SCAP Goal Area 5: Forestry & Agriculture

"Plant one million native trees between 2015 and 2020 and develop a sustainable 30-year plan to maintain and enhance tree cover countrywide that identifies specific approaches, including public and private partnerships, geographic focus areas, and number of trees." p. 93



Why 1 Million Trees?

- Carbon sequestration
- Resilient forests
- Clean air and water
- Public health
- Livable communities



1 Million Trees Campaign

- Collaborate with public, civic, and private partners
- Amplify existing efforts
- Leverage resources
- Raise awareness
- Develop tools for reporting, monitoring, ongoing stewardship



A Collaborative Effort

1 Million Trees

- - King County
 - Your Name Here
 - Community Groups
 - Other Cities
 - Even More Partners



Why Partner?

- Access additional resources
- Develop efficiencies
- Engage new audiences
- Diminish barriers

Increase impact



What Does It Mean to Partner?

- Shape the regional alliance

 -ex: criteria, branding, tools, promotional
 activities
- Contribute expertise to urban forestry in King County -ex: carbon accounting, urban forest science, tree/forest stewardship
- Participate in your community -ex: track planting, organize activities, engage residents, cultivate new partners



One Goal, Many Places

Street trees

Forest Restoration

Public Parks & Green Spaces

Green Stormwater Infrastructure New Development

Private Forestland

Backyards



One Goal, Many Actions

Volunteer service days

Mini-grants to orgs

Social Media Promotions

Green Cities Partnership Landscape Scale Research

Shared Stewardship

Group Purchasing

Carbon Offsets

Imagine where this could lead after the first million ...



Next Steps

- Cultivate partners and secure commitments
- Facilitate partnership committee
- Develop brand, public materials, tracking mechanisms
- Plan big hullabaloo to launch campaign (April is Earth Month!)
- Plant, plant, plant
- Rinse and repeat

QUESTIONS?

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THANK YOU!