

## PPR TreeKeepers

### 2014 Highlights



2014 was another year of amazing progress for the [TreeKeepers](#) program! Our crew size was again extended to comprise nine, 9-month workers. This increase allowed us to visit 83 sites this year, removing an estimated 150 tons of woody debris and vines from our city parks, rec centers and playgrounds. Our crews pruned and elevated trees, cleared areas of unsightly and environmentally problematic invasive species, helped elementary students plant trees, helped construct and break down The Oval, assisted with numerous TreePhilly yard tree giveaways, and helped preserve the grounds of multiple historic mansions.

In 2015, we're looking to add at least 4 new positions with our crew, and to continue to broaden our scope and visit new parks throughout the city. We welcome PPR employees to come join us for workdays, and to also refer any sites to us that are in need of some green improvements!



Montgomery Avenue sassafras stand near Car Barn, before and after TreeKeepers work!



The TreeKeepers pose alongside other PPR staff at the fall yard tree giveaway held in Gorgas Park this past October



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