

Strategy	Action	Status	Date Started/Completed	Leader	
Strategy 1: Improve coordination of all actors and refine roles for highest impact.	1.1: Form a coalition for plan implementation over the first 10 years.	In Progress	16 July 2025 TAC vote to take up coalition building	Tree Advisory Committee (TAC)	
	1.2: Address significant overlap between tree organizations, underutilization of others.				
	1.3: Metro government takes over full care and management of street trees.				
	1.4: Home Rule cities take over full care and management of street trees.	In Progress	Started 11/12/2025	Brent Hagan JCLC/Charlie Marsh	
Strategy 2: Ensure green infrastructure is built into all infrastructure projects.	2.1: Create a higher level Urban Forester position.				
	2.2: Incorporate trees and progress tracking metrics into policies, code, and planning documents.				
	2.3: Improve outcomes in green infrastructure through better standards.	In Progress		Tree Advisory Committee	
	2.4: Explore revisions to state policy of KYTC related to state roads in urban areas.				
Strategy 3: Improve tree preservation & planting in development.	3.1: Provide a dedicated staff member for enforcement of existing code regulations.				
	3.2: Assess the effectiveness of existing regulations.	In Progress	30 November 2025	TreesLouisville hired Special Projects Intern to work with Planning and Design to track new development projects	
	3.3: Prepare for future, evidence-based code revisions.				
Strategy 4: Prioritize preservation to protect intact natural systems in more rural areas.	4.1: Identify existing highest quality forest and natural systems for priority preservation efforts.				
	4.2: Codify protection for high quality areas in a Conservation Form District.				
	4.3: Create a community-wide plan for addressing invasive species management.	In Progress	August 2025	Soil and Water Conservation District, KY Division of Forestry & CISMA	
Strategy 5: Build a skilled local workforce while meeting local needs in implementation.	5.1: Create an urban forestry workforce development program.	Pending		Louisville Grows/KSU developing urban horticulture certificate program. TreesLouisville hiring in spring 2026	
Strategy 6: Address data gaps to improve understanding of Louisville's urban forest.	6.1: Use tree canopy data layers to further analyze trends in tree canopy.	In Progress	5/1/2025 Anticipated completion fall/winter 2026	Urban Forestry	
	6.2: Update the urban tree canopy assessment (UTC) every 5-10 years.	Pending			
	6.3: Complete public tree inventory (streets, parks, any other public land)	In Progress	May 2025	Urban Forestry	
	6.4: Obtain a better understanding on make up of the urban forest located on private land.	Pending			
	6.5: Make all urban forestry data sets accessible to organization partners and the public.	In Progress		Urban Forestry & Envirome	
Strategy 7: Improve public awareness on the role of the urban forest.	7.1: Create a central information hub.				
	7.2: Centralized messaging for partners to utilize to create a unified voice.	In Progress		Envirome	
	7.3: Distribute the campaign throughout the community.				
Strategy 8: Ensure proactive care and preservation for overall urban forest health.	8.1: Develop a financial assistance program for tree care on private property.	In Progress	Early 2026	Treesilience Pilot Launch/TreesLouisville	
	8.2: Provide expertise to help property owners make decisions that support healthy trees.	Pending		Subset of Treesilience activities	
	8.3: Celebrate and value mature trees with a heritage tree program.	In Progress		University of Louisville Dendrochronology & Citizen Scientists	
Strategy 9: Plant with a purpose.	9.1: In the short term, prioritize areas with highest need and lowest canopy.	In Progress		TreesLouisville & Urban Forestry	
	9.2: For the longer term, create a more detailed, evidence-based planting plan.	Pending	February 2026	Urban Forestry	
	9.3: Use the latest science to select the best tree species.	In Progress		Tree Advisory Committee/Local Nursery Professionals	
Strategy 10: Institute a plan to regularly measure progress and reassess.	10.1: Set measurable benchmarks or success metrics for each goal.	Pending		TAC	
	10.2: Produce annual UFMP progress reports.	Pending	Fall 2026	TreesLouisville & Urban Forestry	
	10.3: Reassess action steps every five years.	Pending		TAC	
	10.4: Update the UFMP every 15 years.			2040, 2055, 2070	

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