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**From:** Gross, Anthony  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 6, 2024 3:31 PM  
**To:** Burke, Peter  
**Subject:** NatureScape and Bold Justice tree giveaways for 2024/2025  
**Attachments:** BOLD Justice Request & Gratitude .docx (1).pdf

Peter,

Attached is a letter from Bold Justice thanking us for the past tree giveaways and requesting three more. This email is to officially request funding support from the Tree Preservation Trust fund.

In their letter they mention 175 trees per giveaway. I am rounding that to 180 so that an even 90 households might be served.

Each giveaway would consist of:

90 3-gallon fruit trees	\$2,475.00
90 3-gallon native shade trees	\$1,170.00
Total for a single giveaway	\$3,645.00

As before, each giveaway would be 2 fruit varieties and 2 shade tree varieties. I would be requesting (depending on market availability)

- Fruit:
- Dwarf Mango
  - Carambola
  - Barbados Cherry

- Shade:
- Green Buttonwood
  - Wild Tamarind
  - Gumbo Limbo

We have the suggested location for a first tree giveaway. Dates and further locations would be set once funding is approved. As in the past, the NatureScape schedule would mean that we might have one in December, maybe January, and most likely the third would be in May. NatureScape has Emerald Awards in February/March, Water Matters Day in March and Earth Month in April.

Once funding is approved and locations and dates are agreed upon, I will create flyer's as in the past. Featuring the 2 fruit varieties and 2 shade tree varieties being offered. Both Naturescape and Bold Justice will then promote the program to the community through municipality contacts, social media, the NatureScape newsletter, and our Natural Resources events calendar.

Please let me know if you need any further information or clarifications.

Thanks



**ANTHONY GROSS, SR. PROGRAM PROJECT COORDINATOR**

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**From:** Eric Plumbaj <[eric@thedartcenter.org](mailto:eric@thedartcenter.org)>

**Sent:** Monday, August 26, 2024 8:00 AM

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**Subject:** Official BOLD Justice Request

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Hello Mr. Gross!

As per mentioned in my previous email. Here is the official request from our Extreme Heat Committee. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Look forward to hearing from you.

Best,  
Eric Plumbaj  
BOLD Justice  
248-916-5444



# BOLD Justice

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{Broward Organized Leaders Doing Justice}

Anthony Gross  
Resilient Environment Division  
Natural Resources Department

Dear Mr. Gross,

BOLD Justice would like to extend a hearty **THANK YOU** for the help you and your Naturescape colleagues provided in organizing and executing 3 successful Tree Giveaways in 2023-2024. We were able to give **480** both fruit bearing and non-fruit bearing plants to Broward County residents. The heat index continues to rise. Extreme heat has caused on average 4,583 emergency room visits, 762 Hospitalizations and 22 heat related deaths a year in Florida since 2005. These are some of the highest rates in the country. 477 new canopy trees in Broward is a starting step to help us make Broward County a healthier place for its residents.

We would like to **continue** our partnership with Naturescape in increasing our tree canopy to address the extreme heat. On behalf of our Extreme Heat Committee, we are requesting 3 more Tree Giveaways with 175 trees for each giveaway. We are looking to create an impact of 1,000 trees in Broward County, making a significant change in our tree canopy. The first giveaway would be at Plantation Seventh-day Adventist Church in Plantation, FL.

Once again, we **THANK YOU** for your contribution to our work. We look forward to hearing from you on our request to continue carrying out great environmental impact in Broward County .

In Solidarity,

Rev. Bancroft Williams  
Merrell United Methodist Church  
BOLD Justice Co-President

Jean Anderson  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
BOLD Justice Co-President

Roland Abel  
Miramar United Methodist Church  
BOLD Justice Director