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NUCFAC HIGHLIGHTS: GROWING THE MANAGERS OF TOMORROW'S SUSTAINABLE URBAN FORESTS



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NATIONAL URBAN & COMMUNITY FORESTRY ADVISORY COUNCIL

STEWARDING A VISION FOR THE FUTURE



NUCFAC (COUNCIL) PURPOSE

1990 Farm Bill

- Address the present health & future preservation of our nation's Urban & Community Forests (UCF)

Council synthesizes full spectrum of views for UCF

- Advises Secretary of Agriculture on UCF Program & its service to UCF community
- Foundation for practical UCF policy



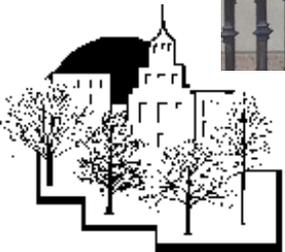
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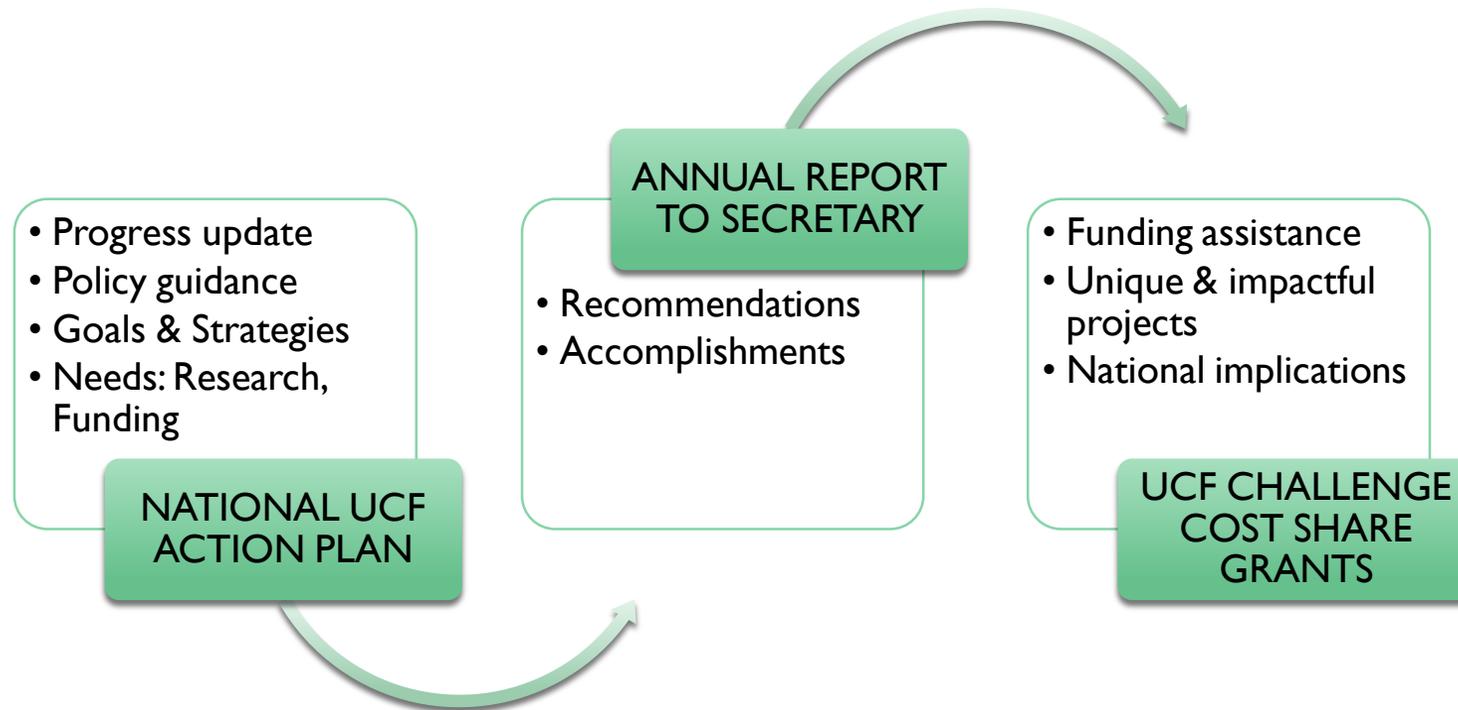
YOUR COUNCIL



- 15 members representative of UCF
- USDA – FS Executive Staff
- Leadership & Work Teams
 - Council Chair & 3 work team leads
 - Work Teams:
 - National UCF Action Plan Implementation / Outreach
 - Annual Report to Secretary
 - National UCF Cost Share Grant Program



COUNCIL CHARTER



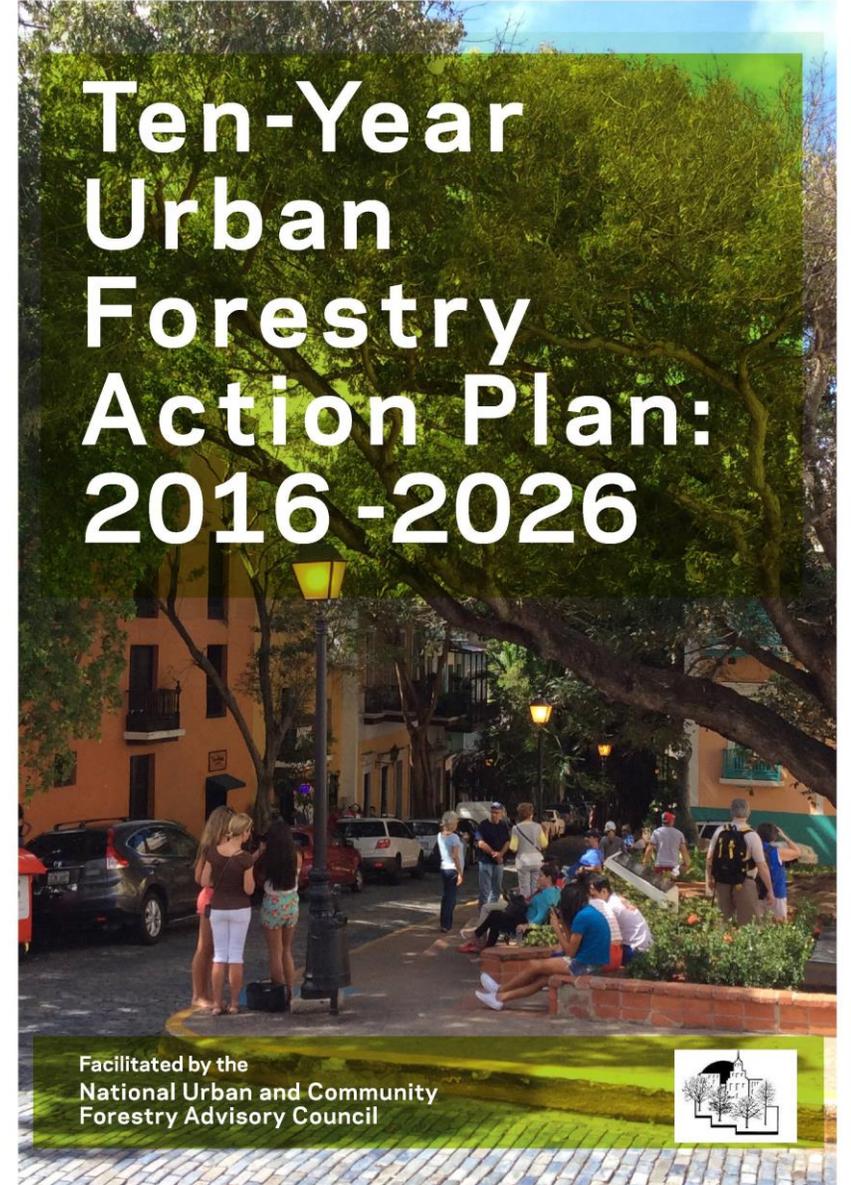
STEWARDING THE NATIONAL UCF ACTION PLAN

- A unifying guide for all of Urban & Community Forestry
 - VISION: Urban & Community Forests increase sustainability, wellness, resilience in all communities
 - MISSION: Help all communities create urban & community forests that are diverse, healthy and accessible for all citizens



Ten-Year Urban Forestry Action Plan: 2016-2026

Facilitated by the
National Urban and Community
Forestry Advisory Council



NATIONAL UCF ACTION PLAN

7 GOALS

- Goals => funding needs => research needs
- Council role
 - Facilitate development
 - Steward implementation
- Steward a National UCF Agenda in partnership with:
 - USDA Forest Service, Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition & all of UCF
- Engage with UCF community
 - National UCF Action Plan: www.urbanforestplan.org
 - Raise awareness: <http://www.fs.fed.us/ucf/nucfac.shtml>



NATIONAL UCF COST-SHARE GRANT PROGRAM GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Further Urban and Community Forestry across disciplines
- Projects with national significance
- Innovation that advances management, research and development to support UCF
- Alignment with priorities established by the National UCF Action Plan



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TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: GROWING THE MANAGERS OF TOMORROW'S SUSTAINABLE URBAN FORESTS

- Integrating Tree Care Jobs & Urban Forest Community Activism
 - Cindy Blain. Executive Director, California ReLeaf.
- Urban Forestry 2020
 - Dr. Susan D. Day. Associate Professor, Virginia Tech
 - NUCFAC cost share grant “Urban Forestry 2020”

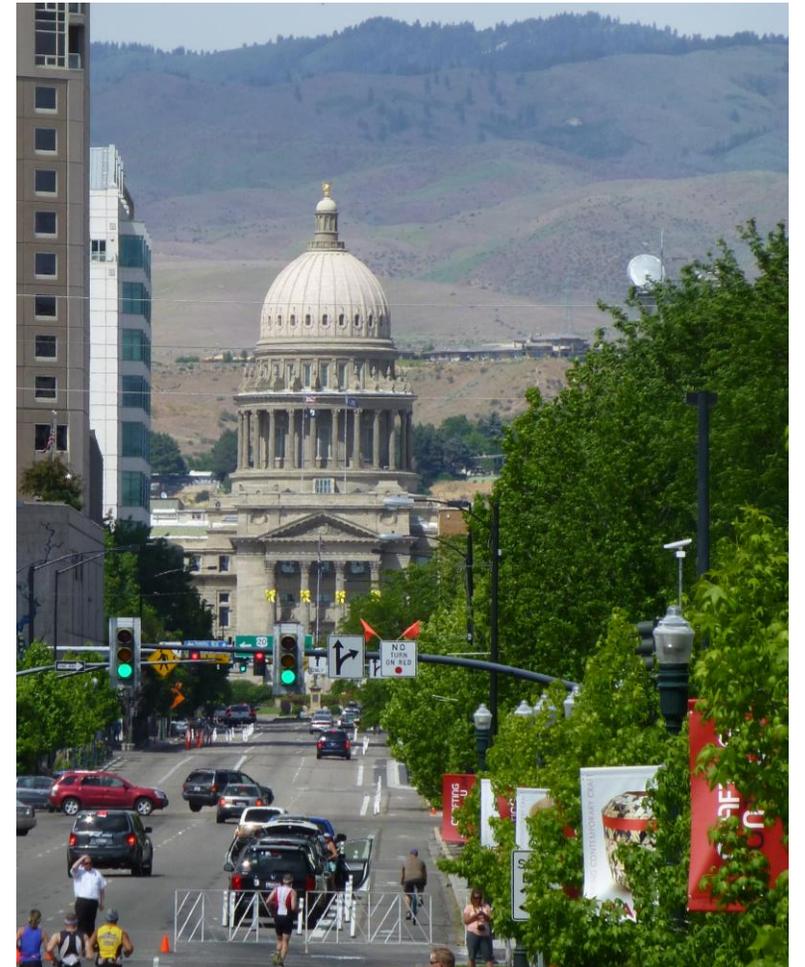


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