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City of Philadelphia Releases Tree Canopy Plan

On February 23, the City of Philadelphia released a Tree Canopy Plan. This 10-year strategic plan focuses on the growth and care of the city's urban forest.

The plan is guided by three key values: environmental justice, community engagement, and sustainability. For more information, including a copy of the plan, check out this article from WHYY.



ProFESS



ProFESS is back for Summer 2023

The Program for Future Environmental Scientists and Stewards (ProFESS) empowers high school students through environmental science, stewardship, and advocacy to build eco-conservation leadership and justice. To learn more about the program, check out the **ProFESS webpage**.

Registration for summer 2023 is now

<u>open</u>. Apply by May 15, 2023 for priority consideration! For questions or additional information please contact <u>info@landhealthinstitute.org</u>

Plant of the week

Little Bluestem

An ornamental bunchgrass featuring fine-textured foliage forming dense mounds 18-24 inches in



height. A mid-prairie species, Little Bluestem gets its name from the bluish color of the stem bases in the spring. The slender blue-green stems can frequently reach over 5 feet by September, and they turn mahogany-red with white seed tufts in the fall. Color remains for most of the winter, making them an ideal native plant for all seasons. Perennial clumps can grow up to a foot in diameter.

Little Bluestem seeds are white and fuzzy at maturity, and are particularly important to small birds in winter. Related species include the Big Bluestem or Turkeyfoot (Andropogon gerardii), which features finger-like seed structures that can resemble a Turkey's foot.

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