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SUMMARY

Distinguished Urban Forestry Specialist with over 12 years of comprehensive experience in managing urban green spaces and advocating for sustainable forestry practices. Demonstrated expertise in coordinating large-scale reforestation projects, coupled with a profound understanding of environmental policies and community engagement strategies. Proven track record of enhancing urban biodiversity and improving air quality through innovative planting schemes.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Urban Forestry Consultant Green City Initiative

Jan 2023 - Present

- Led the development of a comprehensive urban forestry management plan for a metropolitan area.
- Conducted ecological assessments using GIS to identify critical areas for tree planting.
- Collaborated with local schools to implement educational workshops about tree care and maintenance.
- Managed a team of arborists in executing city-wide tree inventory and health assessments.
- Secured funding through successful grant applications to support community greening projects.
- Engaged with community stakeholders to foster support for urban forestry initiatives.

Urban Forester City of Springfield

Jan 2020 - Dec 2022

- Implemented a city-wide tree planting program that resulted in a 25% increase in urban canopy cover.
 - Developed and enforced tree preservation ordinances to protect critical urban forest areas.
 - Conducted public outreach campaigns to promote the benefits of urban trees.
 - Utilized remote sensing technology to monitor tree growth and health.
 - Trained city staff on best practices for tree maintenance and management.
 - Analyzed urban heat island effects and recommended tree placements to mitigate impacts.
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EDUCATION

Master of Science in Urban Forestry, University of Illinois, 2011

Sep 2019 - Oct 2020

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Technical Skills:** urban forestry, GIS, community engagement, environmental policy, project management, ecological assessment
- **Awards/Activities:** Received the 2022 Urban Forestry Award for Excellence in Community Engagement.
- **Awards/Activities:** Increased urban canopy cover by 30% within five years through targeted initiatives.
- **Awards/Activities:** Published a research paper on the impact of urban trees on air quality in a peer-reviewed journal.
- **Languages:** English, Spanish, French