QTS, Texas Trees Foundation and City of Irving Partner to Grow a Greener North Texas

Community planting event kicks off effort to expand ecosystem with 5,000 trees over next two years

IRVING, Texas, November 18, 2026 – QTS Data Centers (QTS), Texas Trees Foundation and the City of Irving are partnering to add more trees to North Texas neighborhoods, with a community planting at Lanotte-Spurlock Park kicking off a broader effort to bring 1,200 trees to Irving and South Dallas this fall.

On Nov. 18, QTS leaders and employees joined Irving Mayor Al Zapanta, Councilman Fahad Ahmed, City of Irving staff and Texas Trees Foundation to plant 50 trees at Lanotte-Spurlock Park. The planting is part of a five-week initiative supported by a nearly $300,000 investment from QTS to plant 500 trees and distribute an additional 700 trees across Irving and South Dallas this fall.

The partnership also advances QTS's commitment to plant or give away approximately 5,000 trees across North Texas over the next two years, creating a longer-term investment in the tree canopy across a region where QTS has four data center campuses.

"Irving is committed to protecting and growing our urban tree canopy for generations to come. Through the city's Urban Forestry Program, we have a tree farm, dedicated city arborist, tree preservation requirements and more - Irving takes a proactive approach to maintaining and expanding our community's natural resources. As a Platinum Certified Scenic City, we recognize the important role trees play in creating a healthier, more beautiful community. We appreciate QTS and the Texas Trees Foundation for investing in Irving and helping us continue that commitment," said Mayor Zapanta.

"Investing in trees for the health and well-being of people and the environment is transformative. This partnership advances our goal of healthy cities, healthy people and healthy systems. We appreciate the investments that QTS is making, together we're better," said Janette Monear, president and CEO of Texas Trees Foundation.

In addition to the 50 trees planted at the Nov. 18 community planting, volunteers will plant another 450 at five additional sites: Dallas College North Lake in Irving, and J.J. Lemmon Park, Bonton Farms Extension, Crawford Memorial Park and Dallas District 1 rights of way in South Dallas.

Texas Trees Foundation combines community input, data, and urban forestry expertise to identify neighborhoods where trees can help address pressing health challenges.

The partnership supports the QTS Tree Replacement Program, an effort designed to restore and strengthen natural ecosystems. Through the program, QTS aims to replant more trees than are cleared during data center construction, making a net positive impact on the local tree canopy. QTS has four campuses across the North Texas region, making long-term tree planting and local reinvestment especially important.

“Our commitment to plant and distribute trees across North Texas is about creating significant environmental impact that will grow over time. By working with local partners to restore and strengthen the tree canopy, QTS can make a meaningful investment in the environmental ecosystem of the communities where we operate,” said Megan Hofmeyer, Senior Director, Sustainability for QTS.

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