Tree Equity Focus Areas

The PVD Tree Plan, created in 2023 by a coalition of community organizations, City partners, and frontline residents, established Tree Equity Focus Areas to guide our ongoing work towards a healthy and resilient urban forest for all of Providence.

To identify these priority areas for focused action, we zeroed in on locations throughout the city with low existing tree canopy, particularly those where health and climate impacts are most severely felt and where our most vulnerable communities live:

By the numbers

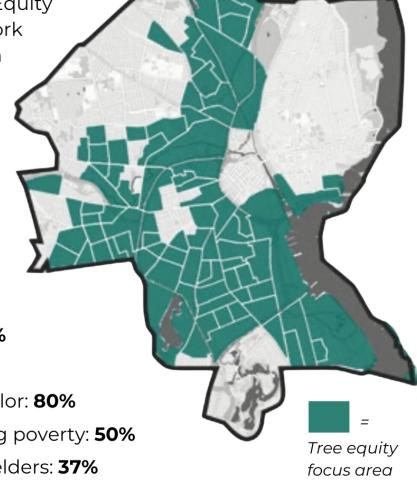
Current canopy coverage: 16.9%

Number of residents: 105,000

Residents who are people of color: 80%

Residents who are experiencing poverty: 50%

Residents who are children or elders: 37%



See the PVD Tree Plan (pages 44 - 45) for more about the process for selecting these focus areas, which combined environmental and demographic data analysis with onthe-ground community knowledge:



See a full list of the 87 census block groups that make up these focus areas:

