

# ACHIEVEMENTS REPORT

## 4. National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council (NUCFAC) Grants

NUCFAC works to establish sustainable urban and community forests by encouraging communities of all sizes to manage and protect their natural resources for current and future generations. NUCFAC has established a national Challenge Cost-Share Grant Program that supports urban and community forestry activities with a national impact.

### NUCFAC Challenge Grants Awarded for Projects in 1998

**The University of Delaware** received a \$32,000 grant to produce and distribute a display that will educate customers at garden centers about proper tree selection, planting, and care.

**Iowa State University** received a grant of \$87,500 to assess the relationship between tree survival and growth and selected environmental parameters known to vary across the continuum from rural to urban landscapes.

**The University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point** was awarded \$19,503 to investigate the nitrogen dynamics of selected shade tree species in urban conditions and how these dynamics are influenced by landowner practices.

**The Eagle Eye Institute of Somerville Massachusetts**, received a grant of \$95,000 to produce a public service announcement entitled “Trees are My Friends in an effort to increase the participation of minorities in the urban forestry movement.

**The National Association of Service and Conservation Corps (NASCC) of Washington, DC** was awarded \$43,892 to support the regional Urban and Community Forestry Train the Trainer workshops.

**The Delaware Center for Horticulture and its partners** received a grant of \$56,300 to develop and analyze four roadside planting models for ecological sustainability, reduced maintenance activity, and aesthetic appeal.

**Ohio State University** was awarded a grant of \$21,170 to study the relationship between tree roots and sidewalk failure in various environmental conditions.

**Community Resources of Baltimore, Maryland** received a grant of \$41,975 to identify current and potential urban non-timber forest products and link these resources to potential micro-enterprise opportunities nationally.