# RTEC Treecare

#### **Green Products and Services**

RTEC Treecare's team of Certified Arborists offer a variety of services to help homeowners maintain healthy trees and lawns. The company uses natural approaches to minimize the use of chemicals, including a 100% organic mosquito control program that is safe for pollinators.

## **Stormwater Management**

The company's tree health treatments minimize the risk of stormwater pollution by using a 100% organic bio-stimulant combination rather than fertilizer. Additionally, RTEC Treecare Arborists do not apply bio-stimulants when there is precipitation in the forecast to minimize the amount of tree nutrients that are swept away into stormwater.

### Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

RTEC Treecare Arborists use iPads in the field to create proposals instantly, without the use of paper notes. Proposals are then emailed to customers instead of printed. The RTEC Treecare office uses digital external backup rather than paper for work orders, invoices, and statements. The office also provides reusable coffee mugs rather than disposable Styrofoam cups.

### Recycling

Before going digital, RTEC Treecare had ten large file cabinets filled with paperwork. In 2016, they scanned all historical records and recycled 2,145 pounds of paper. In addition, trees removed from clients' properties are recycled into wood furniture and mulch.

#### **Fleet Vehicles**

RTEC Treecare's administrative assistants are trained to schedule appointments at homes located close together and to avoid rush hour, minimizing time spent on the road and fuel used. The plant healthcare truck is fully stocked with all treatment types to maximize route efficiency in real time, regardless of the service being provided.



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# Organization Type

Landscaping Service

# Number of Fairfax County Employees

Approximately 20

#### **Fun Facts**

RTEC Treecare received eight Excellence in Arboriculture Awards for Tree Preservation from the Tree Care Industry Association. The awarded projects were located at the Smithsonian National Zoo, Northern Virginia Community College, and three residential properties. The zoo's tree preservation projects were in the eagle, panda, and farm exhibits and the picnic pavilion.