



URBANWOOD PROJECT NETWORK 2010 MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR WOOD GENERATORS

This document serves as a Membership Agreement between Recycle Ann Arbor, the Southeast Michigan Resource Conservation and Development Council, the Urbanwood Project, and the organization named below:

Business/Organization Name:	
Main Contact:	Title:
Address:	
Phone:	Fax:
E-mail:	Website:
Reasons for joining the Urbanwood Project:	

TERMS OF ANNUAL AGREEMENT

The business/organization named above agrees to participate in the Urbanwood Project as a member of the *Urbanwood Network* by:

1. Using the Urbanwood logos and promotional materials as appropriate for your organization to educate customers and/or local citizens on the opportunities for recycling urban trees.
2. Building cooperative relationships with other members of the Urbanwood Network (arborists, sawmills, and builders, among others) in order to create more efficient and effective wood recovery, processing, and sales operations that provide benefits to all participants in the program.
3. Working with local sawmills to make sure there is clear communication regarding the expectations of all parties on the wood recovery process (including details of any payments for logs, expenses for handling and/or transportation, pre-sorting of wood, sizes/species/quality of logs, etc.).
4. Whenever possible, separating millable logs from the wood waste stream and diverting these for reuse to one of the partnering Urbanwood sawmills.
5. Whenever possible, trying to keep track of the “story” behind the wood source (for example the reason for tree removals, etc.) and conveying this to the relevant sawmill partner. Customers are likely to respond more strongly to products that carry a local story.
6. Attending at least one meeting of the Urbanwood Project per year. This is a helpful way to get to know the other members of the group, develop new business connections, and learn new skills.

On behalf of my organization, I agree to the terms and conditions of this membership agreement:

Signature: _____ Print name: _____

Organization: _____ Date: _____



WHY JOIN THE URBANWOOD PROJECT?

Urbanwood Network Benefits	Urbanwood Network Costs
Access to sustainable (and likely lower-cost) alternatives to traditional wood disposal	Time for participating in at least one meeting per year
Recognition for your organization as one that values sustainability and green initiatives	Time for appropriately handling logs for recovery and communicating with sawmills
Ability to provide unique services to your customers and differentiate yourself from competitors	<i>Optional:</i> Time for additional involvement in Urbanwood activities and events
Networking opportunities with like-minded businesses and organizations	
Use of Urbanwood marketing materials (such as logo and print materials)	
Potential for innovative, mutually-beneficial partnerships with sawmills	
Recognition on Urbanwood.org as a member of the Urbanwood Network	
Access to new markets (such as green builders) through Urbanwood's customers	
Participation in a unique conservation story: helping removed landscape trees continue to live on	