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Philly Tree People Pruning Club October Event: Brief Report

On Sunday, October 11, 2009, 9am - 11am on Richmond Street at E. Tioga Street, 19134 the Philly Tree People Pruning Club met to prune the trees on the eastern side of Richmond Street. These tree pits were well overdue for cleaning, weeding, and mulching and our volunteers put their backs into it, knees, and glove laden hands into it and we cleaned each pit on the strip. Most of these trees were fairly young and did not appear to have been pruned since being planted, so we took care of diseased, dead, and broken branches and pruned for sidewalk clearance, overall appearance and health. We enjoyed donuts and hot cocoa as well as water for snacking. We collected about 8 bags of trash. We removed excess soil from tree pits where the root flares were buried as well as tree stakes that were no longer needed.

Outcomes/Results:

- 12 Trees Pruned
- 11 Tree Pits Weeded
- 1 Tree Removed
- 8 Volunteers attended
- 25 Volunteer Hours Worked
- \$500 Minimum Monetary Value of Volunteer Work Performed

(Based on the Independent Sector's estimated dollar value of one volunteer hour for 2008:
http://www.independentsector.org/programs/research/volunteer_time.html)

Press:

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=44495879434>

<http://phillytreepeople.org/pruning-club.html>

http://www.philly.com/inquirer/home_design/20090918_Garden_Calendar.html

<http://www.philadelphiaspeaks.com/forum/fishtown-northern-liberties-kensington-port-richmond/4991-philly-tree-people-ptp-pruning-club-1925-19134-a.html>

Online Photos: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/nykia/sets/72157622729784324/>

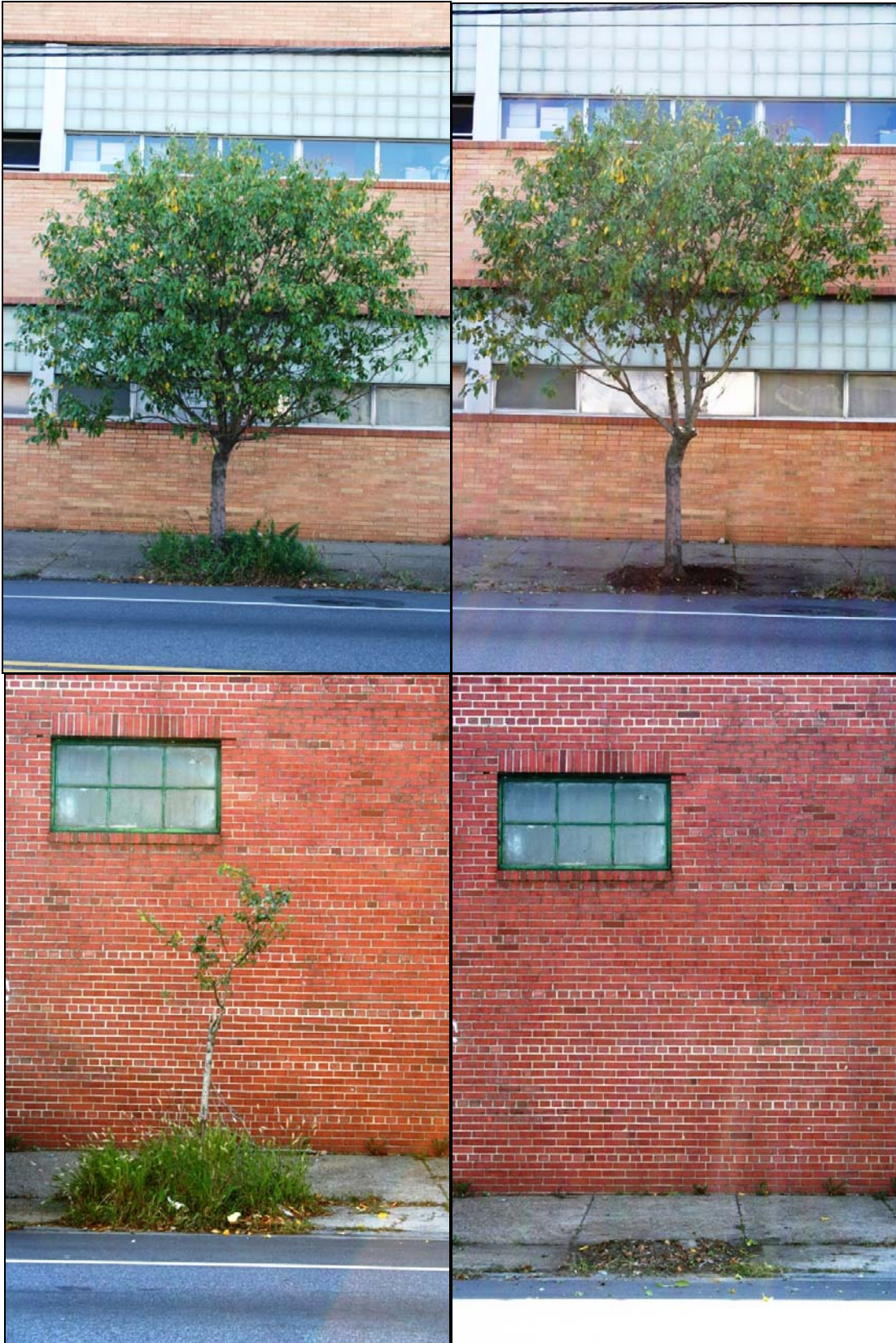
Before



Volunteers Hard at Work



Before & After



Tree Removal Success and Debris Clean Up



Volunteers Working Hard to Bundle Tree Debris



Pruned Trees & Cleaned and Weeded Tree Pits

