THE BENEFITS OF HEALTHY LANDSCAPES

HEALTHY LANDSCAPES PROVIDE THE FOUNDATION FOR LIVING, WORKING AND PLAYING OUTDOORS. THEY ARE GOOD FOR OUR HEALTH, GOOD FOR OUR COMMUNITIES AND GOOD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT.

HEALTH AND SAFETY BENEFITS
Healthy, managed landscapes make people and their communities healthier.

- REDUCE STRESS
  Source: Housley and Wolf

- IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE
  Source: Housley and Wolf

- REDUCE CRIME
  Source: U.S. Forest Service

- IMPROVE ATTENTION AND MEMORY
  Source: Mark Berman, University of Michigan

In addition, they protect against outdoor pests that can transmit disease to people and pets.

- Ticks can transmit Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, ehrlichiosis and babesiosis.
- Fleas can transmit tapeworms to pets, as well as murine typhus and, occasionally, the bubonic plague to humans.
- Fire ants can cause painful blisters and sometimes severe or life-threatening anaphylaxis.
- Mosquitoes can transmit West Nile, Zika, malaria, chikungunya, dengue and a host of other bacterial and viral diseases.

A HEALTHY LANDSCAPE HAS...
Not all grass, plants or trees are healthy. Healthy landscapes take effort, skill and know-how.

- HEALTHY SOIL
- NO PLANT-DAMAGING PESTS OR DISEASE
- FEW WEEDS
- HEALTHY GRASS, SHRUBS & TREES

ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS
The value of managed lawns and landscapes extends beyond the backyard and into the community at large.

- CLEAN & PURIFY AIR
- PROVIDE OXYGEN
- MINIMIZE NOISE
- PROTECT WATER SOURCES FROM UNHEALTHY RUNOFF
- ACT AS NATURAL COOLANTS

To learn more about the benefits a healthy, managed landscape offers your family, community and the environment, visit LOVEYOURLANDSCAPE.ORG

HEALTHY LANDSCAPES ARE THE ROOT OF HAPPINESS