

## Restore Mass Ave

Helping to re-green Embassy Row

## Water your street trees As long as they have leaves

Our trees are suffering from ~5 inches less rain than normal. They need MORE water NOW for a good winter and spring.

## The City Forester for our neighborhood asks:

- "Keep watering the trees until the leaves fall." This means giving 15 gallons per week with a hose or by filling the green bag 2 x weekly.
- Young trees need a blanket of mulch about 3 inches deep, watered thoroughly, to bed down for winter. Keep surface of the tree box, including much, level with the sidewalk, so water from rain and snow can flow easily to the roots of the tree.
- To not pile mulch against the tree, as this will rot the base and make it more likely to fall.
- Do not put trash, cartons or bikes next to trees. These compact the soil, which needs to stay loose and aerated to receive water and air.

If your tree has a Restore Mass Ave green bag, keep filling it! We will collect all the bags when it is OK to stop watering.

DC Urban Forest Administration handles dead branches and dead trees. Call 202-671-5133. For other assistance contact Restore Mass Ave1-877-463-0049 RestoreMassAve@yahoo.com

Restore Mass Ave is a 501 c (3) whose mission is to grow a healthful and elegant canopy of major trees in the vicinity of Washington's historic Embassy Row neighborhood.