

2025 Gold Leaf Award

On Feb. 5, 2026, the Avon Tree Commission was awarded the Gold Leaf Award at the annual Ohio Tree Conference in Newark, Ohio. This award, from the Ohio Chapter International Society of Arboriculture, was given to Avon because of our shade tree plan in conjunction with the land disturbance fee ordinance. The land disturbance fee is collected from property owners (commercial and residential) who disturb the land in order to build on their properties. The fee is currently \$200 per acre of disturbed land. This fee has enabled the city to plant a total of 27 trees last fall throughout the city parks.

