CHESAPEAKE CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK

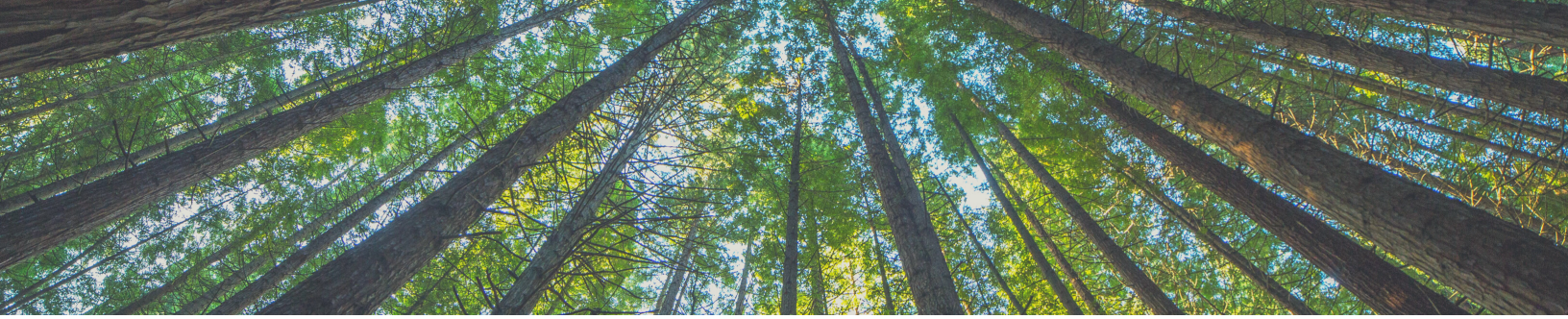
Invasive vines are killing trees on your property!

ENGLISH IVY AND OTHER NON-NATIVE INVASIVE VINES CAN KILL YOUR TREES AND COST YOU *THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS* IF WE DON'T STOP THEM.

There are 2 ways to save your trees at no cost to you:

- Reach out to the Chesapeake Climate Action Network at vines@chesapeakeclimate.org and we'll have a volunteer come cut the vines for you, safely, and at no cost to you.

- Remove the vines yourself! Want to know where to start? Scan the QR code above to learn how to remove English ivy and Wintercreeper! Please let us know how many trees you saved at vines@chesapeakeclimate.org.



Wait, why are non-native invasive vines bad?

Invasive vines strangle trees, compete with trees for resources such as water and sunlight, and weaken them. The vines' weight can make trees much more susceptible to falling during storms.

Why should I save these trees?

- Trees are a vital part of our urban ecosystem, providing environmental services such as stormwater regulation, wildlife habitat, and shade.
- Trees help capture carbon and are a vital tool in our efforts to fight climate change. A mature tree can store up to a ton of carbon!
- Trees add value to your property (as much as $10,000). They also reduce energy costs - they cool your home in the summer, and buffer it from cold in the winter, reducing energy costs by 20-50%!
- It is costly to remove trees when they die, sometimes costing thousands of dollars!

Removing invasive vines is easy!

- Go to https://chesapeakeclimate.org/invasive-species/ to learn more about how to remove vines and how to tell the differences between non-natives and beneficial (native) vines.
- Make sure to wear long sleeves, pants, and gloves to prevent contact with poison ivy and thorns. Don't forget to wash your clothes afterward if you think you've been in contact with poison ivy.

Remember, always get permission before you remove invasive vines on private and public property!

Questions? Email: vines@chesapeakeclimate.org or call: 240-460-5838