

**RCW 54.16.400 Voluntary donations for purposes of urban forestry.** (1) Public utility districts may request voluntary donations from their customers for the purposes of urban forestry. The request may be in the form of a check-off on the billing statement or other form of a request for a voluntary donation.

(2) Voluntary donations collected by public utility districts under this section may be used by the public utility district to:

(a) Support the development and implementation of urban forestry ordinances, as that term is defined in RCW 76.15.010, for cities, towns, or counties within their service areas;

(b) Complete projects consistent with the urban forestry management plans and ordinances developed under RCW 76.15.090; or

(c) Fund a tree planting program for energy conservation that accomplishes the goals established under RCW 54.16.281.

(3) Donations received under this section do not contribute to the gross income of a light and power business or gas distribution business under chapter 82.16 RCW. [2021 c 209 § 21; 2021 c 11 § 5; 2008 c 299 § 22.]

**Reviser's note:** This section was amended by 2021 c 11 § 5 and by 2021 c 209 § 21, each without reference to the other. Both amendments are incorporated in the publication of this section under RCW 1.12.025(2). For rule of construction, see RCW 1.12.025(1).

**Findings—Intent—2021 c 209:** See note following RCW 76.15.005.

**Findings—Intent—2021 c 11:** See note following RCW 35.92.355.

**Short title—2008 c 299:** See note following RCW 76.15.020.