**Neighborhood Roots Outreach: Script**

(NOTE: The points below are meant to guide you. Please don’t use this “script” verbatim! Make the words your own. You might be on your own or with a partner.)

* Hi, my name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (and this is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_), and I (we) represent the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition.
* I (we) would like to offer you a free shade tree for your front yard.
* We’ll be having a Neighborhood Planting Party this fall, and right now we’re reaching out to people in this area to find out who’s interested in having a tree planted in their front yard.
* Is that something you might be interested in?

(If “no”, hand them the flyer.) We’d like to give you this flyer so you’ll have more information since the planting party will be in your neighborhood this fall. Thank you – and have a good evening!

(If “yes” or “maybe”, hand them the flyer and continue.)

* We’re offering 4 varieties of native trees – 2 large and 2 small. (Refer to back of flyer.)
* We’ll need the permission of the property owner, so we need to find out – are you the property owner? (If not, ask who owns the property.)
* (If they’re a renter, ask if they’d like to talk to the property owner or whether they’d like us to do that.)
* We have a limited number of trees available, so we’ll need to know by August 31st whether you’d like to reserve a tree, and which type of tree you prefer.
* To reserve a tree, please send an email to the address on the flyer (point it out).
* Do you have any questions? (If so, refer to answers on the FAQ sheet.)
* Thank you – and have a good evening!

**During and after each visit,** please fill out the information on the spreadsheet so we can determine the “next steps” for that property.

**If no one is home at a property,** leave a flyer inside the screen door, in the door handle, or under the welcome mat. Do NOT put it in the mailbox, as it’s a violation of postal code.