The Trees for Sacred places program will implement urban tree plantings at faith-based institutions throughout Maryland. This is an exciting high-impact proposal in which Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake (IPC) and our partners at the Laudato Trees Team (LTT) of the Archdiocese of Washington Care for Creation Committee have cultivated commitments from 20 congregations across the state for an aggregated total of 376 trees planted in these Maryland jurisdictions: Baltimore City and County, Montgomery County, and Prince George’s County. This proposal is in partnership with Casey Trees and Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay (Alliance) to provide technical assistance with planning and implementing the tree plantings. The appendices include a table summarizing all of the committed project sites and the anticipated number of trees to be planted at those sites. All 20 congregations have provided letters of commitment.

The four sites that have been determined are Dickey Memorial Presbyterian Church, Har Sinai-Oseh Shalom, Islamic Society of Baltimore, and Mount Olive United Methodist Church. Plantings are anticipated to take place fall of 22 with spring plantings planned if needed.