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## **Unique Tree Contest**

The Cleveland Shade Tree Board is sponsoring the “Most Unique Tree” contest in celebration of the City’s 25<sup>th</sup> consecutive year as a Tree City USA. Trees will be judged based on branch structure, bark characteristics, trunk formation, color, and variation. The tree’s nominee and/or property owner must reside within the Cleveland city limits to qualify for the grand prize.

This year’s grand prize is being sponsored by Check Into Cash. The winner will receive a \$500 award which will be presented at the Shade Tree Board’s Arbor Day celebration in April.

Nominations must be submitted to Dan Hartman by 5 p.m. on Monday, April 10. Nominations can be sent to Dan Hartman at P.O. Box 1519 Cleveland, TN 37364 or by email to [dhartman@clevelandtn.gov](mailto:dhartman@clevelandtn.gov). The nomination must include the name and address of the property owner, the person submitting (if it’s not the property owner), description of the tree and its location, as well as a telephone number or email address. The Shade Tree Board requests you receive permission from the property owner if the tree you are nominating is not your tree.

For additional information about the “Most Unique Tree” contest contact Dan Hartman at (423) 593-5660 or email [dhartman@clevelandtn.gov](mailto:dhartman@clevelandtn.gov).