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Why are Trees in the Median of South Lumpkin Road Being Removed?

Columbus, June 8, 2017 - Historic Westville will replace the trees being removed to make room for the buildings to make their way down South Lumpkin Road.

When Historic Westville begins to move its historic buildings to its site on South Lumpkin Road, it is possible the trees planted in the median could be damaged by the buildings. As a precaution, Westville is removing the trees now, ahead of the buildings arriving to save them for replanting elsewhere.

The trees being removed will be donated by Westville to the Columbus Housing Authority, who will re plant them at the Warren Williams Homes and the Elizabeth Canty Homes. "We will be buying new trees to plant along South Lumpkin Road once our buildings have been moved to the new site, and we are very pleased to be working with the city of Columbus to donate the current trees to beautify public housing," says Westville's Executive Director Leo Goodsell.



Westville will work with the city arborist to determine the best trees to replant when we are ready to replace trees in the median.

About Westville

Westville is a museum of southern history and culture, representing the diversity of the southern experience by telling the stories of all southern peoples including African Americans, American Indians and European Americans---how their lives were inextricably linked but their experiences diverse. Westville uses the 19th century South but looks forward and backward in time to better understand the people and events who shaped the South today