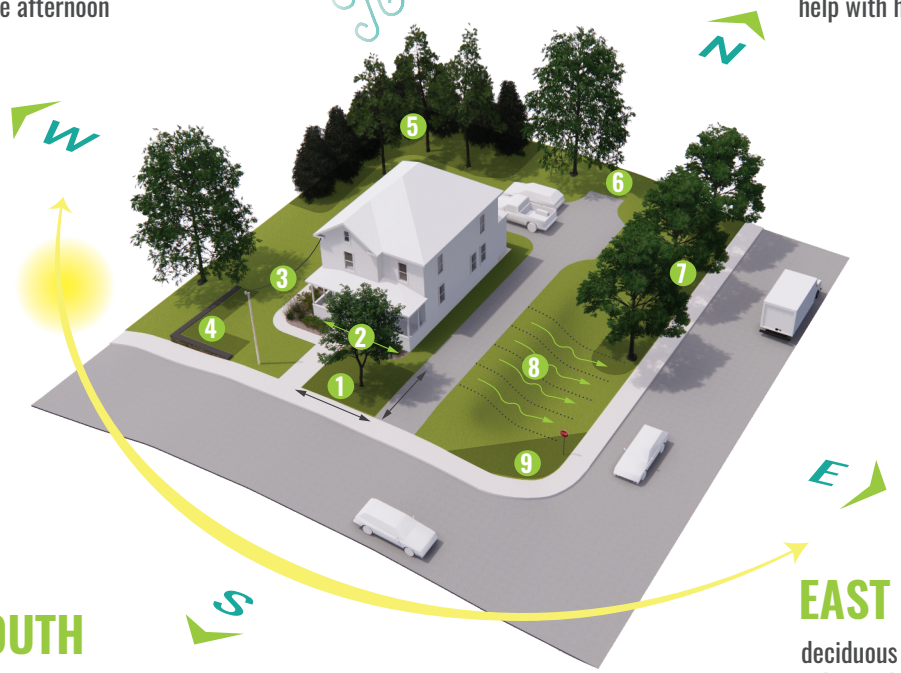
WEST

deciduous trees planted on this side of a building allow warm winter sun and provide cool summer shade in the afternoon

NORTH

shady areas north of a building may not have enough light for trees to thrive; deciduous trees planted here do little to help with heating/cooling



SOUTH

deciduous trees planted on this side of a building allow warm winter sun and provide cool summer shade that helps with heating/cooling

EAST

deciduous trees planted on this side of a building allow warm winter sun and provide cool summer shade in the morning

1. measure the width and length of the unpaved area where you want to plant a tree
2. think about the size of a mature tree and select a tree with a crown size that will fit in the space available:
   - avoid planting trees too close to buildings
   - trees can overhang driveways and sidewalks if pruned to remove lower branches
3. in areas with overhead wires, select a smaller tree with a mature height less than the wire height
4. avoid planting near top of retaining walls
5. evergreen trees planted to the northwest help to shield your property from prevailing winter winds
6. consider where you store snow, particularly if your winter salt use is heavy
7. in areas with frequent puddles or ponding, choose trees that can tolerate wet conditions
8. on steep slopes and other areas that are often very dry, choose trees that can tolerate dry conditions
9. avoid planting low-branching trees and shrubs where they could block the view for turning vehicles