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Arizona State Statistics

Active Arbor Day Foundation members in Arizona
4,189



TREE CITY USA® Program in Arizona:

Tree City USA Communities: **18**

Total population served: **2,975,994**

Largest Tree City USA in Arizona:
Phoenix, population 1,512,982

Smallest Tree City USA in Arizona:
Town of Quartzsite, population 3,550

Arbor Day Poster Contest
Participants in Arizona:
1,200 Fifth grade classrooms
30,000 Fifth grade students

Arbor Day Award Winners
from Arizona: **6**

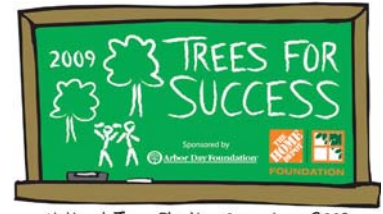
**Arizona celebrates Arbor Day on
the third Friday in March**



Arizona

Trees for Success Program Set To Plant Trees in Phoenix

During the last four years, more than 4,000 trees have been planted across the country at schools and local parks because of the Trees for Success program. Trees for Success is a national program, sponsored by The Home Depot



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Foundation, that demonstrates the many educational and environmental benefits trees provide to improve the health of our communities. Schoolchildren in 13 cities across the country will have an opportunity to add new trees to their school grounds or neighborhoods where they live and play.

The Arbor Day Foundation will collaborate with local Phoenix-based nonprofit tree-planting organizations to plant up to 100 large trees on school grounds in the Phoenix area during the Trees for Success national campaign. Phoenix's celebration is an outstanding example of the Arbor Day Foundation working with local nonprofit groups and important corporate partners to advance community forestry across the nation. Visit arborday.org for more information on the "Trees for Success" national campaign.

Arizona Members Plant 8,622 Trees

The Arbor Day Foundation's dedicated members are making a difference by planting trees in their communities across the United States. Our 4,189 Arizona members have helped plant more than 8,622 trees across the state in the last year.

Trees provide numerous benefits to us and our environment. Whether it is planting just one or the thousands of trees mentioned above, our members in Arizona have added beauty to their homes and neighborhoods, increased their property value, attracted birds and other wildlife, provided shade and windbreaks, decreased energy costs, and created a more livable community.



Thousands of Arizona Students Take Part in Arbor Day Poster Contest

Each year, the Arbor Day Foundation coordinates the Arbor Day National Poster Contest, sponsored by Toyota, for fifth graders in classrooms across the country. Now in its seventeenth year, the contest touches millions of children with its message about the importance of trees and wise environmental stewardship.

During the 2008 contest, more than 30,000 Arizona students had the opportunity to learn the importance of tree diversity in a community forest. Elena P. was named the state contest winner. Her winning poster depicted many beautiful large trees in many settings to convey

the contest's 2008 theme, "Trees Are Terrific... Inside and Out."



(Left) 2008 Arizona State Winner

(Above Right) 2007 Arizona State Winner

Arizona Tree City USAs Support Community Forestry

The Arbor Day Foundation's Tree City USA program encourages, supports and strengthens effective urban and community forestry programs in diverse communities nationwide through recognition, education, and publicity. From the humble beginning of the program 33 years ago, it has grown to be the leading community forestry recognition program in the country, with over 3,300 designated Tree City USAs across America.

Tree City USA is thriving in Arizona because of the strong partnership between the Arbor Day Foundation and the Arizona State Land Department of Forestry. Arizona boasts 18 certified Tree City USA communities. Last year, Arizona's Tree City USAs spent a combined total of \$17,913,311 on their urban forestry budgets benefiting the more than 2.9 million Arizona residents who live in those communities. The dedication of Arizona's urban and community foresters, city officials, and citizens to planting and caring for trees in their cities and towns helps increase energy savings, clean the air and water and beautify the entire state.



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