



Oklahoma's State Tree is the Eastern Redbud

Oklahoma State Statistics

Active Arbor Day Foundation members in Oklahoma
14,614



TREE CITY USA® Program in Oklahoma:

Tree City USA Communities: **24**
Total population served: **1,535,270**

Largest Tree City USA in Oklahoma
Oklahoma City, population 532,200
Smallest Tree City USA in Oklahoma:
Morrison, population 655

Arbor Day Poster Contest
Participants in Oklahoma:
600 Fifth grade classrooms
15,000 Fifth grade students

Arbor Day Award Winners
from Oklahoma: **3**

Oklahoma celebrates Arbor Day during the last full week of March.

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Trees for Success Program Set To Plant Trees in Midwest City

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 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.



National Tree Planting Campaign • 2009

The Arbor Day Foundation will collaborate with local Midwest City-based nonprofit tree-planting organizations to plant up to 100 large trees on school grounds in the Midwest City area during the Trees for Success national campaign. Midwest City'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.

Oklahoma Members Plant 110,618 Trees

The Arbor Day Foundation's dedicated members are making a difference by planting trees in their communities across the United States. Our 14,614 Oklahoma members have helped plant more than 110,618 trees across the state last year.

C. Gage, a loyal member from Tahlequah, Oklahoma, has been planting membership trees since 1987. Recently Ms.



One of many blooming trees from the Foundation belonging to Ms. Gage.

Gage shared with us a photo of one of her favorite trees. With wonderful, dedicated members like Ms. Gage, Oklahoma will always have a strong and majestic tree presence.

Thousands of Oklahoma 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 15,000 Oklahoma fifth-grade students had the opportunity to learn the importance of tree diversity in a community forest. Michelle H. was named the state contest winner and the National Winner. Her winning poster depicted several parts of a tree illustrating the contest's 2008 theme, "Trees Are Terrific...Inside and Out!"



(Top Left) 2007
Oklahoma State Winner

(Right) 2008
Oklahoma State and
National Winner

Oklahoma 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 nearly 3,300 designated Tree City USAs across America.

Tree City USA is thriving in Oklahoma because of the strong partnership between the Arbor Day Foundation and the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture - Forestry Division. Oklahoma boasts 24 certified Tree City USA communities. Last year, Oklahoma's Tree City USAs spent a combined total of \$8,306,261 on their urban forestry budgets benefiting over one million Oklahoma residents who live in those communities. The dedication of Oklahoma'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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