



South Carolina's state tree is the Cabbage Palmetto.

South Carolina State Statistics

Active Arbor Day Foundation members in South Carolina
10,682



TREE CITY USA Program in South Carolina:

Tree City USA Communities: **40**
Total population served: **946,558**

Largest Tree City USA in South Carolina:
Anderson County, population 141,000

Smallest Tree City USA in South Carolina:
Patrick, population 354

Arbor Day Foundation Award Winners from South Carolina: **1**

South Carolina celebrates Arbor Day on the first Friday in December



South Carolina

Arbor Day Foundation Launches Youth Education Program – Nature Explore

In growing efforts to reconnect young children with nature, Nature Explore Classrooms are being planned and built throughout the country.

These unique outdoor learning environments continue to prove effective in helping young children have positive, multi-sensory experiences with nature while inspiring a sense of wonder.

Several states currently have Nature Explore Classrooms already under construction at early childhood centers, botanical gardens, elementary schools, and day care settings. Classrooms are built using concepts from the *Learning With Nature Idea Book* in addition to assistance from landscape architects or early childhood educators.



South Carolina Members Plant 95,571 Trees

The Arbor Day Foundation's dedicated members are making a difference by planting trees in their communities across the United States. Our 10,682 South Carolina members have helped plant more than 95,571 trees across the state in 2006.

Dorothy Terry, a loyal member from Iva, South Carolina, has been planting membership trees since 1993. Recently Dorothy shared with us a photo of one of her favorite trees. With wonderful, dedicated members like Dorothy, South Carolina will always have a strong and majestic tree presence.



Photo of Dorothy's Colorado Blue Spruce tree.

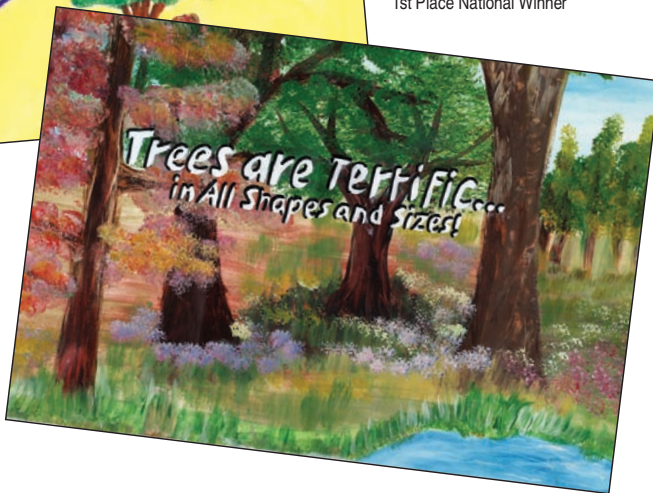
Thousands of Students Take Part in Arbor Day Poster Contest

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 sixteenth year, the contest touches millions of children with its message about the importance of trees and wise environmental stewardship.

Thousand of fifth-graders were encouraged by this educational program to think deeply about how trees make the world a greener, healthier place. By conveying their interpretation of the theme in their artwork, the student's message that trees are terrific is spread to thousands of people around the country.



(Left) 2006
2nd Place National Winner



(Bottom Right) 2006
1st Place National Winner

South Carolina 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 30 years ago, it has grown to be the leading community forestry recognition program in the country, with over 3,200 designated Tree City USAs across America.

Tree City USA is thriving in South Carolina because of the strong partnership between the Arbor Day Foundation and the South Carolina Forestry Commission. South Carolina boasts 40 certified Tree City USA communities. Last year, South Carolina's Tree City USAs spent a combined total of \$6,457,801 on their urban forestry budgets benefiting over hundreds of thousands of South Carolina residents who live in those communities. The dedication of South Carolina'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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