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City to Celebrate Arbor Day January 20 at Camelot Park

The City of Pensacola will celebrate Arbor Day on Friday, January 20, 2017 at 10 a.m. at Camelot Park, 7705 Gallahad Road, with a tree planting, proclamation reading and tree giveaway. A limited number of live oaks, sweet gum, and red maple trees will be available for residents to take home and plant. Information will be provided with each tree on the proper care and maintenance of the species.

Pensacola was recently named a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. This is the 26th year for Pensacola to receive the designation.

Pensacola achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least $2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

Trees provide multiple benefits to a community when properly planted and maintained. They help to improve the visual appeal of a neighborhood, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits.

"Tree City USA communities see the impact an urban forest has in a community first hand," said Dan Lambe, President of the Arbor Foundation. "Additionally, recognition brings residents together and creates a sense of community pride, whether it's through volunteer engagement or public education."

For more information or general questions, please call 850-436-5670.

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