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UPDATE: Arkansas Department of Agriculture Hosts "Free Tree Fridays" in Recognition of Arbor Day

LITTLE ROCK – In recognition of National Arbor Day, the Arkansas Department of Agriculture's Forestry Division will be hosting giveaways of bare root seedlings at various locations across the state each Friday from March 17 through April 28.

"Adding trees to your yard or to a community forest is beneficial to all Arkansans, and Spring is an excellent time to plant trees," said Kristine Kimbro, Urban and Community Forestry Coordinator for the Forestry Division. "With these Arbor Day celebration giveaways, we hope to provide all Arkansans with access to the many benefits trees provide."

Species will vary by location with at least two of the following species offered at each giveaway: American elm, river birch, bald cypress, persimmon, and/or red mulberry. Offerings are limited to three seedlings per person on a first come, first served basis. The giveaways will be hosted at various locations across the state. Following is a listing of locations and times currently scheduled:

March 31

- Walnut Ridge Lawrence County Extension Office, 1100 West Main Street: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Pocahontas American Made General Store, 1100 Pace Road: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Wynne Wynne Fire Department, 1111 Falls Boulevard: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Arkadelphia Clark County NRCS Office, 640 6th Street: 12 p.m. 2 p.m.
- Dierks Dierks City Park, South Arkansas Avenue/Clawson Park Road: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.

April 7

- Batesville Riverside Park, 1770 Chaney Drive: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Hot Springs Garland County Library, 1427 Malvern Avenue: 11 a.m. 1 p.m.
- Greenbrier Greenbrier City Hall, 11 Wilson Farm Road: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Marion Crittenden County Courthouse, 100 Court Street: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Morrilton Morrilton Walmart, 1621 S. Business 9: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- White Hall Tractor Supply Company, 6903 Sheridan Road: 11 a.m. 1 p.m.

April 14

- Warren Warren City Park, 400 West Church Street: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Alma Alma Public Library, 624 Fayetteville Avenue: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Trumann Cedar Park, 100 North Crest Avenue: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Little Rock University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS), 4301 West Markham Street: 10 a.m.
 12 p.m.
- Goshen Goshen City Hall, 124 Church Street: 9 a.m. 11 a.m.

- Sheridan The Mad Butcher, 815 Rock Street: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Stuttgart Stuttgart Chamber Pavilion, 507 South Main Street: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Magnolia Southern Arkansas University (SAU) Story Arena: 1015 Highway 82 Bypass West: 10 a.m. –
 12 p.m.

April 28

- Casa Casa Community Center, 114 South Maple Street: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.
- Jonesboro Earle Bell Community Center, 1212 South Church Street: 10 a.m. 12 p.m.

Additional locations will be added throughout the month. Visit <u>agriculture.arkansas.gov/forestry/urbancommunity-forestry/free-tree-friday/.</u>

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