



Alliance for Community Trees

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LETTER FROM THE ACT BOARD CHAIR AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

Alliance for Community Trees is pleased to report that 2008 was a banner year for our alliance, seeing unprecedented growth in both membership and services. Through expanding partnerships, ACT continued to excel in providing tools and programs for its members to advance our united agenda for clean air, green streets, and healthy neighborhoods.

National NeighborWoods Month, which began as a pilot project in 2005, has grown into a truly national campaign with continued leading support from The Home Depot Foundation. From 16 member groups organizing 28 events in 2005, *NeighborWoods Month* has grown to include 118 groups organizing 412 events in 134 cities in 2008. Over 33,000 trees planted and maintained in 2008 alone will dispose of 428 tons of air pollutants and increase property values by \$2.1 million in underserved communities. This year, *NeighborWoods Month* kicked off with support from the Wallace Genetic Foundation to stage a special public policy summit organized by Trees Forever in Des Moines, Iowa, bringing together Mayor Frank Cownie with regional environmental and political leaders to envision a green infrastructure strategy for the city's future. We expect *National NeighborWoods Month* to continue its remarkable growth in the future — embracing more partners, engaging more volunteers, and sustaining more trees than ever.

This was also the year ACT took center stage for its public policy work. ACT and its diverse network of partners — nonprofits, environmental coalitions, and members of Congress — advanced a legislative agenda to optimize the social, environmental and economic benefits of trees. On Earth Day, Congresswoman Doris Matsui (D-CA) introduced the Energy Conservation Through Trees Act, which proposes a program to partner with energy providers to strategically plant trees to provide shade and energy savings to homeowners and small businesses. Congressman Ed Perlmutter (D-CO)

introduced the G.R.E.E.N. Act, a sweeping finance bill that would incentivize green building practices — including the strategic use of trees — for projects with financing through HUD, FHA, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and other lenders. ACT is excited about the future of these proposals as climate change and energy efficiency play a prominent role in public debate.

As the profession of urban forestry matures, ACT has ensured that members stay ahead of the curve. This year, in partnership with the USDA Forest Service, ACT launched a free webcast series for members to learn from one another and from experts in arboriculture, environmental science, urban planning, and organizational management. Our collaboration with National Arbor Day Foundation and The Home Depot Foundation contributed to the second successful national Partners in Community Forestry Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Partnering with California ReLeaf and National Arbor Day Foundation, with financial support from the USDA Forest Service, ACT delivered the Community Tree Leadership Forum in two regions to help nonprofits become more effective communicators and advocates. Thanks to participation of ACT member organizations, ACT created its first comprehensive benchmarking report on member practices and programs, documenting trends, best practices, and innovation throughout our diverse membership.

In the coming year, ACT will continue to foster partnerships and collaboration to advance the health and livability of our nation's cities through trees. ACT will build support for the passage of the Energy Conservation Through Trees Act and the G.R.E.E.N. Act, deepen our organizational commitment to the national Partners in Community Forestry Conference, host a national policy summit in Washington, DC for ACT members, and increase education and training opportunities to support ACT members and contribute to the field of urban forestry.

Collaboration is key to all we have accomplished and is the foundation for our future as an alliance. Thank you for your support and we look forward to working together with you in the coming year.

Shannon Ramsay
Board Chair, ACT and Executive Director,
Trees Forever, Iowa

Alice C. Ewen
Executive Director, ACT



PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

NeighborWoods

With assistance from ACT's *NeighborWoods* program, local grassroots groups plant trees to enhance affordable housing and contribute to community revitalization in neglected neighborhoods. The program has provided \$1.9 million in technical and financial assistance to non-profit organizations in 134 cities since 2005, resulting in over 150,000 trees planted and cared for by nearly 80,000 volunteers.

National NeighborWoods Month

Held every October in cities and towns across the country, *National NeighborWoods Month* is ACT's annual community service campaign. Since its inception in 2005 with 28 service events in 15 cities, *NeighborWoods Month* has set new records for growth and participation every year. In 2008, *NeighborWoods Month* partners organized 412 events in 134 cities. At these events, they:

- Planted 33,500 trees and maintained an additional 9,260 trees
- Engaged over 18,000 volunteers
- Leveraged \$1.2 million in cash and in-kind donations locally.

In celebration of *NeighborWoods Month* 2008, ACT and member group Trees Forever produced a two-day symposium on trees and the economy in Des Moines, IA. The symposium featured Mayor Frank Cownie of Des Moines alongside other local and national leaders, policy makers, and environmental experts. By bringing together key government and conservation leaders, the symposium successfully laid a foundation for green infrastructure improvements in the city.

With a NeighborWoods Grant, Tennessee Environmental Council Partners with Habitat for Humanity to Improve Affordable Housing

In 2008, the Tennessee Environmental Council received a *NeighborWoods* grant from ACT to help green Providence Park, a new affordable housing community outside Nashville, TN. Designed by Habitat for Humanity to be a model for affordable housing communities nationwide, Providence Park featured playgrounds, walking trails, nearly twice the required amount of open space, and 138 Energy Star certified homes. Staffers at the Tennessee Environmental Council, however, thought the community could be improved even more. Seeing an opportunity to enhance air quality and stormwater management in Providence Park—and lower utility bills for the residents even further—the Council applied for a *NeighborWoods* grant to plant trees throughout the new development.

According to John McFadden, the Council's Executive Director: "This project would not have happened without the support of the *NeighborWoods* grant." The grant enabled the Council to join forces with Nashville Area Habitat for Humanity. Working together, Tennessee Environmental Council and Nashville Area Habitat engaged 200 volunteers, including homeowners, to plant 100 trees throughout Providence Park. Some

of the trees served to block the view of busy Interstate 24, which adjoins the community, while others prevented erosion along steep slopes. The majority of trees were planted around the newly built homes to provide shade and energy savings to residents.



By working together, Tennessee Environmental Council and Nashville Area Habitat for Humanity extended Habitat's tradition of "sweat equity" to engage 100 new homeowners in stewarding their community. They also launched a new partnership: the two organizations have teamed up on more affordable housing projects and expect to continue doing so in the future. =



FOUNDING SPONSOR OF NEIGHBORWOODS

Grantmaking

With leading support from The Home Depot Foundation, ACT awarded \$130,000 in grants and scholarships to its members during 2008.

NeighborWoods Grants

NeighborWoods Grants invest in year-long tree stewardship projects that create lasting change and serve as models for nationwide replication. The 2008 *NeighborWoods* Grants recognized local urban forestry /affordable housing partnerships that will result in tangible, strategic improvements in the health and livability of the home environment of low-income families. ACT awarded \$100,000 to 10 nonprofit organizations for projects in Albuquerque, NM; Asheville, NC; Baltimore, MD; Goleta, CA; Greenville, SC; New Orleans, LA; Pittsburgh, PA; Tulsa, OK; Wilmington, DE; Des Moines and Cedar Rapids, IA.

NeighborWoods Month Mini-Grants

In 2008, ACT awarded over \$18,000 in financial assistance to 34 partners to support *NeighborWoods Month* activities. *NeighborWoods Month* Mini-Grants offer extra support to make local *NeighborWoods Month* events more impactful and educational. Local organizers receive a package of professionally designed marketing materials and financial assistance worth \$1,000, which attracts further funding, media coverage, and volunteer participation at the local level.

Scholarships

ACT made available over \$10,000 in travel assistance to support professional development and training of ACT member organizations at the national Partners in Community Forestry Conference, held in Atlanta, Georgia.

Training & Collaboration

ACT strengthens and serves its member organizations by promoting the exchange of innovative ideas and proven best practices in urban forestry. In 2008, ACT provided the following opportunities to its members:

- Contributed to the annual Partners in Community Forestry Conference in Atlanta, Georgia in collaboration with the National Arbor Day Foundation and The Home Depot Foundation. As a conference collaborator, ACT helped plan the event — the premier urban forestry conference in the U.S. — and provided over \$10,000 in scholarships to support the training and professional development of ACT's grassroots membership.

I think the Community Tree Leadership Forum is one of the best training sessions out there. Great materials, great organization, great implementation.

— Lisa Burban, USDA Forest Service

A community without trees is a community without character.

— Mayor Jennie Stultz, Gastonia, NC



- Staged two regional Community Tree Leadership Forums to help grassroots leaders strengthen organizational capacity. The forums provided intensive workshops on fundraising, advocacy and marketing — core skills that are critical to local success in engaging the public to support urban forests.

- Produced monthly webcasts for over 350 attendees, presenting best practices and recent trends in urban forestry. This valuable training was provided free of charge to ACT members and other urban forestry professionals.

Alliance for Community Trees was an invited presenter at regional and national conferences, including:

- Northeastern Urban Research Organizational Network (NEURON) Conference
- U.S. Conference of Mayors
- National Conference on Urban Ecosystems
- National Association of Conservation Districts
- Circle K Convention
- Trees Forever 2008 Symposium
- National Recreation and Parks Association Congress
- Georgia Urban Forest Conference
- Partners in Community Forestry Conference
- National Association of State Foresters

Policy & Advocacy

As the membership of the Alliance for Community Trees grows, we are able to be a stronger voice for trees in public policy circles. In 2008, ACT advanced federal priorities, including:

Energy Conservation Through Trees Act

ACT staff and board members worked closely with Congresswoman Doris Matsui (D-CA) to develop the proposed federal program, which is based on an existing program of ACT member Sacramento Tree Foundation and the Sacramento Municipal Utility District. The proposed bill will encourage utility companies to partner with local nonprofit tree planting organizations to plant trees to reduce residential and small business energy demand.

G.R.E.E.N. Act

The G.R.E.E.N. Act encourages energy efficiency and conservation and the development of renewable energy sources for housing, commercial structures, and other buildings to create sustainable communities. ACT worked closely with Congressman Ed Perlmutter (D-CO) to include best practices in urban forestry and planned green development.

USDA-Forest Service Budget

ACT continued to build support through a diverse coalition of partners, including members of the *Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition*, to advocate for increased funding for the Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry Program and for investments in urban forest research. With support from Mayor Heather Fargo, the US Conference of Mayors provided a resolution of support for enhanced federal investment in urban forestry programs and research.

Restoring our urban forests is one of the most important environmental contributions we can make for our city and the planet.

— Mayor Greg Nickels, Seattle



Utah Elementary School Students Celebrate National NeighborWoods Month

Stretched out on a plain near the Great Salt Lake, the buildings of Arcadia Elementary School in Kearns, UT reflect their landscape — long, low, flat and bare. Until recently, just a few trees dotted the school's front campus, while the fields and playground behind the school were unshaded, exposed to the harsh desert sun.

Alerted to the situation by a concerned citizen, TreeUtah, an ACT member group based in nearby Salt Lake City, selected Arcadia Elementary — located in one of the poorest districts in the city — as one of its tree planting projects during *NeighborWoods Month* 2008. On a chilly October day, Community Forestry Coordinator Kelly Washburn and Britt Retzlaff, TreeUtah's AmeriCorps volunteer, arrived at the school with eight trees and a mission: plant one tree for every grade at Arcadia.

With the help of volunteers, teachers, parents and school staff, Kelly and Britt showed the students how to plant and care for their trees. The project turned into a science lesson as they engaged the students in acting out the lives of their trees — from drawing nutrients out of the ground to growing tall and changing sunlight into food with their leaves.

To encourage the students to identify with the trees, they gave unique names to each of them: "Polka-Dots" the Kwanzan Cherry, "Okey Dokey" the Linden, and a Burr Oak named "Hercules Chimichanga."

Today, all eight trees are thriving under the students' care, their branches a shelter for the children who eat lunch and play in their shade. As the trees grow, they will provide welcome shade to the schoolyard and a source of pride for the students who planted them.



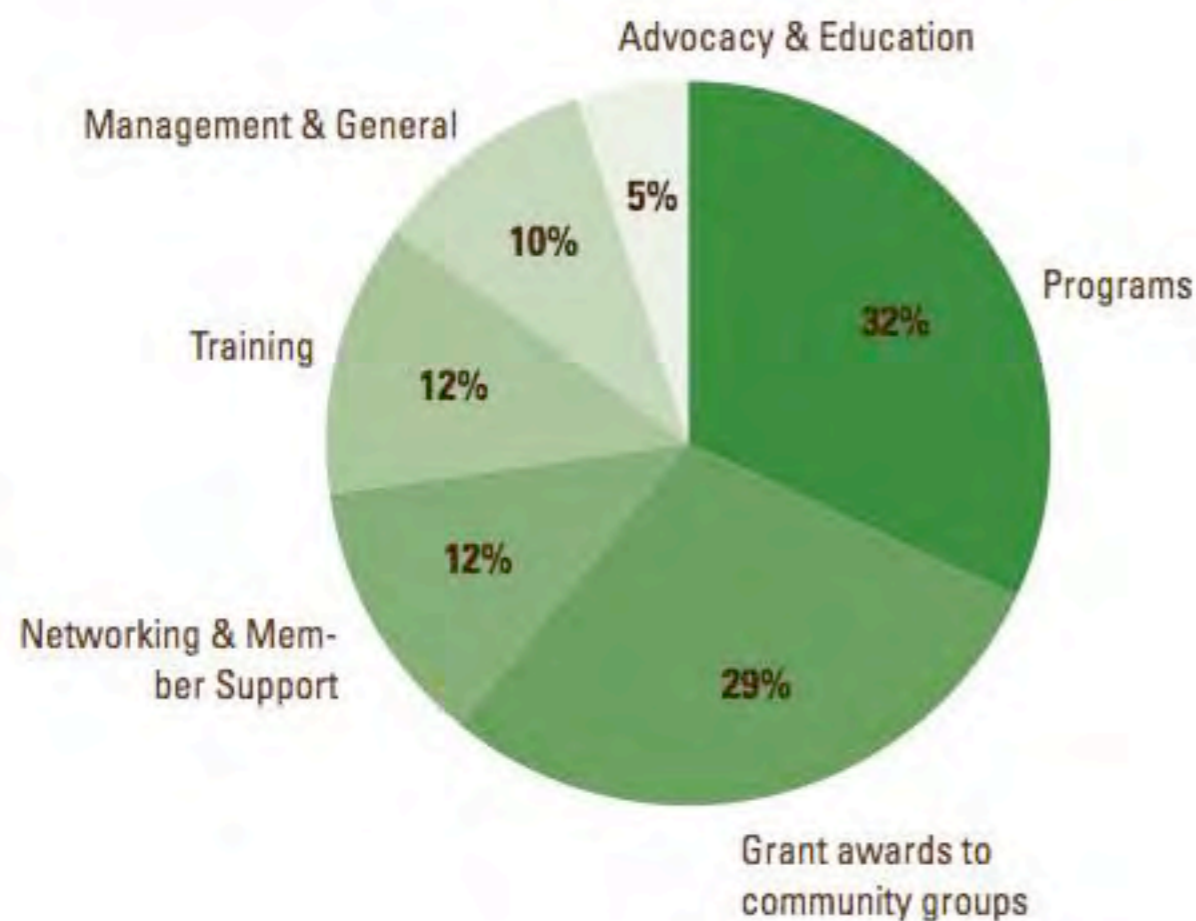
NeighborWoods Month provides an opportunity to teach children about environmental stewardship and the value of investing in their communities. ACT member organizations engage thousands of students nationwide in projects similar to Arcadia Elementary's, bringing to mind the proverb, "from tiny acorns, mighty oaks grow." Simple acts have a profound impact on the planet and on the minds of children.



FINANCIALS

In 2008, ACT attracted \$453,000 in support of our programs. This included \$300,000 in continued support from The Home Depot Foundation, the founding partner of the National NeighborWoods Program, which in turn allowed ACT to provide \$130,000 in grants and other direct assistance to local ACT member organizations.

ACT Expenses



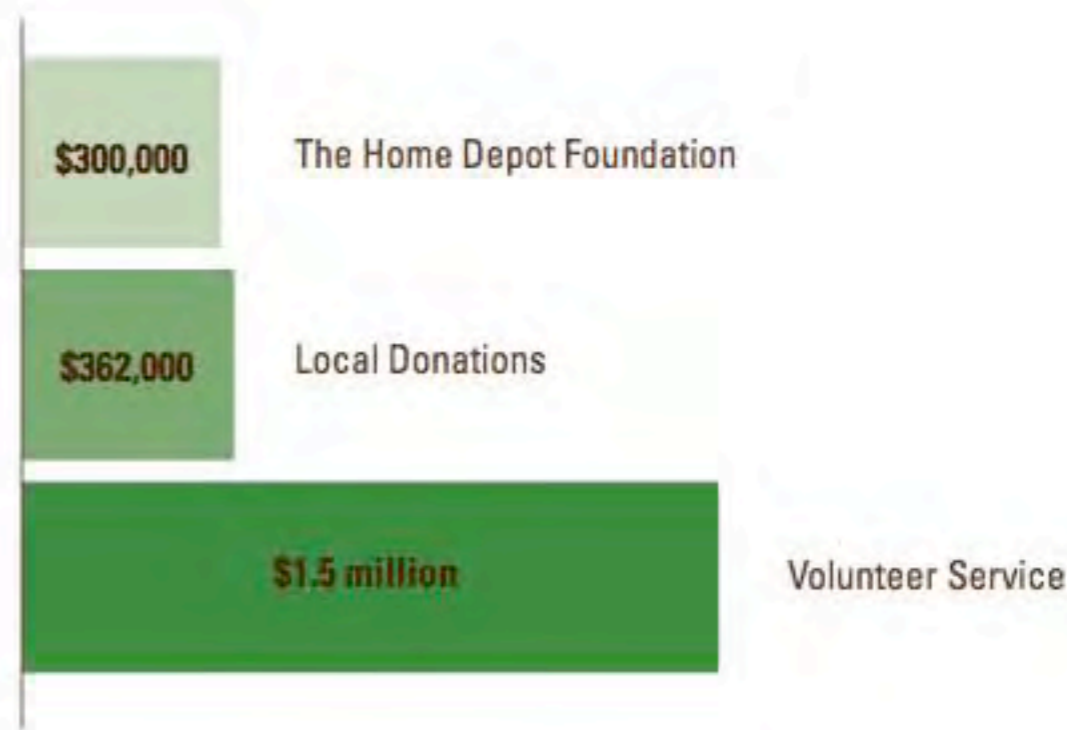
I have never been involved with a more **responsive, user friendly** and **mission driven** non-profit. The level of **guidance** that you give to your **network** is unsurpassed.

— Cindy McCall, City of Lompoc



Community Leverage

ACT's lead funding from The Home Depot Foundation is leveraged 6:1 by the local support our members attract and the thousands of service hours by community volunteers.



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— Mayor Jennie Stultz, Gastonia, NC





FUNDING PARTNERS

The Home Depot Foundation
 USDA Forest Service
 Wallace Genetic Foundation
 The National Tree Trust
 PRIMEDIA
 J. Frank Schmidt & Son Nurseries

Alliance for Community Trees wishes to thank these partners for their extraordinary leadership. Without their support, this year's programs and accomplishments would have been impossible.



Advancing Through Cooperation and Collaboration

The advice, support, and collaborative leadership ACT receives from its member organizations are the foundation for our work. This year, ACT built on that foundation by strengthening its existing partnerships and forging new ones. Whether by curating an exhibit to teach a national audience about sustainability, producing conferences to educate the nation's conservation leaders, or shaping key pieces of environmental legislation, ACT leveraged partnerships to advance our united agenda for clean air, green streets, and healthy neighborhoods.



- **The Home Depot Foundation**
- **USDA Forest Service**
- **Wallace Genetic Foundation**

- American Forests
- California ReLeaf
- International Society of Arboriculture
- J. Frank Schmidt & Son Nurseries
- KaBOOM!
- National Arbor Day Foundation
- National Association of State Foresters
- National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council
- Primedia
- Rep. Doris Matsui
- Rep. Earl Blumenauer
- Rep. Ed Perlmutter
- Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition
- U.S. Botanic Garden



We offer sincere thanks to the countless organizations and individuals who have contributed time, talent and resources to ACT, not all of whom can be listed here. In particular, Alliance for Community Trees thanks:

Teaching Sustainability to Capitol Visitors

In the spring of 2008, ACT was invited by the U.S. Botanic Garden to curate the urban forestry portion of the Botanic Garden's new exhibition on sustainability. Partnering internationally with the United Nations Environmental Programme and locally with member group Casey Trees, ACT built a model urban forest on the grounds of the Garden. Over 300,000 visitors from across the country viewed the installation and learned about the benefits of community trees.

The exhibition, titled "One Planet—Ours," ran from May 2008 to October 2008. It featured demonstrations educating visitors about global sustainability and included 40 sculptures created as part of the nationwide "Cool Globes" project, which uses art to present "whole-earth" solutions to the problems of living unsustainably. One globe, which focused on urban forestry, cited ACT as a leader in the field. This globe is now displayed at the headquarters of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. In its new home, steps from the People's Garden, the globe continues to educate people about the role of urban forests in global sustainability.



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Urban Resource Initiative (New Haven, CT)

DELAWARE

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

American Forests (Washington, DC)
Casey Trees Endowment Fund (Washington, DC)
City of Washington (Washington, DC)
Washington Parks and People (Washington, DC)

FLORIDA

Citizens for a Better South Florida (Miami, FL)
Florida Urban Forestry Council (Orlando, FL)
Greenscape of Jacksonville (Jacksonville, FL)
Keep Highlands County Beautiful (Sebring, FL)
Kids Ecology Corps (Fort Lauderdale, FL)
TREEmendous Miami (Florida City, FL)

GEORGIA

Coastal Bryan Tree Foundation (Richmond Hill, GA)
Georgia Urban Forest Council (Decatur, GA)
Keep Barrow Beautiful (Winder, GA)
Keep Cobb Beautiful (Marietta, GA)
Keep Covington/Newton Beautiful (Covington, GA)
Keep Hall Beautiful (Gainesville, GA)
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Trees Columbus (Columbus, GA)
Trees Covington (Covington, GA)

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ILLINOIS

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Morton Arboretum (Lisle, IL)
Openlands (Chicago, IL)

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Indiana Urban Forest Council (Indianapolis, IN)
Keep Indianapolis Beautiful (Indianapolis, IN)
Trees Indiana (Fort Wayne, IN)

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Trees Are Us (Bettendorf, IA)
Trees Forever (Marion, IA)

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MASSACHUSETTS

Eagle Eye Institute (Somerville, MA)
EarthWorks Projects, Inc. (Roxbury, MA)
Urban Ecology Institute (Chestnut Hill, MA)

MICHIGAN

Friends of Grand Rapids Parks (Grand Rapids, MI)
Global ReLeaf of Michigan, Inc. (Ann Arbor, MI)
Keep It Moving (Detroit, MI)
The Greening of Detroit (Detroit, MI)

MINNESOTA

Rochester's Neighborhood Resource Center (Rochester, MN)
Tree Trust (St. Paul, MN)

MISSISSIPPI

Land Trust for the MS Coastal Plain (Biloxi, MS)
Mississippi Urban Forest Council (Madison, MS)

MISSOURI

Forest ReLeaf of Missouri (St. Louis, MO)
Heartland Tree Alliance (Kansas City, MO)
Missouri Community Forestry Council (Helena, MO)
TreeLiberty (Liberty, MO)

NEBRASKA

National Arbor Day Foundation (Lincoln, NE)

NEVADA

Nevada Shade Tree Council (Elko, NV)

NEW MEXICO

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Sag Harbor Tree Fund (Sag Harbor, NY)
Sustainable South Bronx (Bronx, NY)
Trees New York (New York, NY)

NORTH CAROLINA

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NC Division of Forest Resources (Raleigh, NC)
NC Urban Forest Council (Winston-Salem, NC)
Triangle J Regional Appearance Committee (Research Triangle Park, NC)

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The Tree Bank (Edmond, OK)
Up With Trees (Tulsa, OK)
Wheatland RC&D (Enid, OK)

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Friends of Trees (Portland, OR)
Oregon Community Trees (Salem, OR)

PENNSYLVANIA

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Nine Mile Run Watershed Assoc. (Pittsburgh, PA)
Pennsylvania Horticultural Society (Philadelphia, PA)
UC Green, Inc. (Philadelphia, PA)

RHODE ISLAND

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SOUTH CAROLINA

PalmettoPride (Columbia, SC)
Trees Greenville (Greenville, SC)

TENNESSEE

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Tennessee Environmental Council (Memphis, TN)
Tennessee Urban Forestry Council (Nashville, TN)
Trees Nashville (Nashville, TN)

TEXAS

Bob Jones Nature Center (Southlake, TX)
City of Leon Valley (Leon Valley, TX)
Cross Timbers Urban Forestry Council (Ft. Worth, TX)
Green Arlington Foundation (Arlington, TX)
SPARK School Park Program (Houston, TX)
Texas Trees Foundation (Dallas, TX)
Texas Urban Forestry Council (Austin, TX)
Trees for Houston (Houston, TX)
Valley Proud Env. Council (Harlingen, TX)
West Texas Urban Forestry Council (El Paso, TX)

UTAH

Salt Lake County Million Tree Program (Salt Lake City, UT)
TreeLink (Salt Lake City, UT)
TreeUtah (Salt Lake City, UT)

VERMONT

Vermont Urban & Community Forestry (Waterbury, VT)

VIRGINIA

Fairfax ReLeaf (Fairfax, VA)
Fredericksburg Beautification Commission (Fredericksburg, VA)
ISA-MAC (Haymarket, VA)
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WASHINGTON

Cascade Land Conservancy (Seattle, WA)
PlantAmnesty (Seattle, WA)

WISCONSIN

Greening Milwaukee (Milwaukee, WI)

CANADA

Tree Canada (Ottawa, ON)



GET INVOLVED

Join the Alliance

Your annual membership renews your commitment to ACT's shared vision for clean air, green streets and healthy neighborhoods. By joining ACT today your organization receives:

- Updates about policy, research, and funding
- Biweekly newsletters
- Promotion on the national website
- Access to a successful peer network
- Eligibility for nonprofit grants

Visit our website at www.actrees.org or call 301-277-0041 to find out how you can join.

Donate

Membership dues pay for just a small fraction of the cost of administering ACT's programs. Whether it's by sending out timely action notices, hosting training seminars, or giving our members the materials they need to successfully promote their events, ACT is always working to help our members grow. Visit our website at www.actrees.org to learn about more ways to give.

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With an affiliate network that stretches across the country and includes cities in all major markets, Alliance for Community Trees offers exciting opportunities for national and regional corporate partnerships. Contact our Development Office today at 301-277-0040 to find out more about how ACT can work with you to meet your company's environmental and communications goals.

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Supporting grassroots, citizen-based organizations dedicated to urban and community tree planting, care, conservation, and education.



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