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Arbor Day Foundation Names West Windsor Tree City USA® Community

West Windsor, NJ, was recognized by the nonprofit Arbor Day Foundation as a Tree City USA community for its commitment to urban forestry.

West Windsor has earned this national designation for 32 years.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service. West Windsor has met the four standards to become a Tree City USA community. Tree City USA communities must have a tree board or department a tree-care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

“We commend West Windsor elected officials, volunteers, and its citizens for providing vital care for its urban forest,” said John Rosenow, chief executive and founder of the Arbor Day Foundation. “Trees provide numerous environmental, economical, and health benefits to millions of people each day, and we applaud communities that make planting and caring for trees a top priority.”

Communities that earn Tree City USA recognition not only have taken the time to meet the four standards, they know that trees:

- Promote healthier communities by filtering the air we breathe by removing dust and other particles.
- Moderate climate, conserve water, and provide vital habitat for wildlife.
- Reduce the heat island effect in urban areas caused by pavement and buildings.
- Increase property values and reduce energy use and add beauty to our homes and neighborhoods

More information about Tree City USA can be found at www.arborday.org/TreeCityUSA.

About the Arbor Day Foundation

The Arbor Day Foundation is a nonprofit environmental and education organization of more than one million members with a mission to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. More information on the Foundation and its programs can be found at www.arborday.org.