Plant a Tree Program

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What is the Plant a Tree Program?

People often wish to leave living memorials for those they have lost or want to plant trees to commemorate special occasions. For people in nursing homes, or who don't need other gifts, this program also offers a way to honor someone while contributing to natural resource conservation.

In response to public demand, the U.S. Forest Service has established a special program to allow people to donate money toward planting trees on the national forests. The minimum donation for receiving a Plant a Tree certificate is $10. This program qualifies as a charitable deduction for the Internal Revenue Service.

What do contributors receive?

After a donation is made, the contributor receives a certificate. The certificate (suitable for framing) recognizes the contribution to the Plant a Tree Program made for ____ (space where the person's name is added).

If appropriate, space is available here as well to explain the reason for the commemorative event, such as a birthday, retirement, wedding, in memory of, etc. A place is then provided for who the contribution was made by and signed by an official from the U.S. Forest Service. Artwork and an explanation of the program are also included on the certificate.

If requested, certificates can be sent to more than one person. If special wording is desired on the certificate, please let us know.

Where are the trees planted?

The trees are planted on general forest land. They are not designated on the ground as a memorial, but are planted for multiple use purposes. The size and species of the trees planted will be appropriate to the site and will be at the discretion of the Forest Service. The contributor does not receive any guarantees on the future use of these trees and the trees are the property of the United States of America.

On the Hoosier National Forest many trees are planted in conjunction with the Forest's land acquisition program as we get new lands and put them back into forest. Money donated toward the plant a tree program will make further reforestation possible.

For More Information, Contact:

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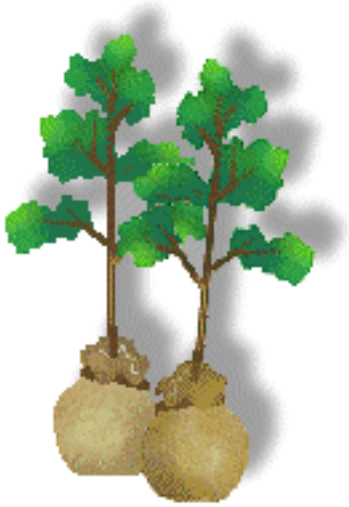
Plant-A-Tree Application

I would like my contribution to be made in the name of:

_____

_____ In memory of

_____ For a special occasional



Please mail the Plant-A-Tree Certificate to:

Name _____

Address _____

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This contribution was made by:

Name _____

Address _____

_____ ____

Amount Enclosed: $_____(Please make checks payable to the U.S. Forest Service)

I can be contacted for any questions at this phone number: _____

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