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## Northglenn Named Tree City USA for 25th Year

(Northglenn, CO) For the 25<sup>th</sup> time, Northglenn has been named a 2015 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of the city's commitment to effective urban forest management.

Northglenn achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the four requirements of the program: 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.

"Northglenn is known for its trees," said Mayor Joyce Downing. "We are proud that so many beautiful trees grace our neighborhoods and parks."

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.

The Arbor Day Foundation is a million member nonprofit conservation and education organization with the mission to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees.

Arbor Day will be celebrated in conjunction with Kids to Park Day, Saturday, May 21, 10:00 a.m., at Larson Park with the planting of a tree.

For more information on how to best select and plant a tree, visit <a href="http://www.northglenn.org/tree-city-usa">http://www.northglenn.org/tree-city-usa</a>.

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