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City of Alexandria Urban Forestry Steering Committee to Hold
3rd Annual Earth Day Tree Sale Saturday, April 24
"Great Trees, Great Prices, and Great for Alexandria"

The City's Alexandria's Urban Forestry Steering Committee (UFSC) and the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities will hold a tree sale on Saturday, April 24, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the City's Annual Earth day Program at Ben Brenman Park, 4800 Brenman Park Dr. The goal of the sale is to promote the preservation of the Alexandria's tree canopy by encouraging the planting of trees on private property throughout the City. Alexandria Tree Stewards and Master Gardeners will be on site to answer questions about tree selection, planting and care.

The City's tree supplier, Denison Landscaping and Nursery of Ft. Washington, Md., will provide the same varieties of trees the City plants -- hardy and successful in this area -- in five to seven gallon containers that residents can easily handle and plant. Trees will be sold at below retail market prices to encourage private planting in Alexandria, a major goal of the UFSC. The following trees are available for purchase:

- Red Maple – Deciduous shade tree reaching 40-70'. Fall color ranging from yellow, orange, reds. Price – \$30 (5 Gal) & \$45 (7 Gal) & \$60 (10 Gal)
- Willow Oak – Deciduous shade tree reaching 60-80'. Fall color is yellowish brown. Tolerate on drought, heat, pollution. Price – \$30 (5 Gal) & \$45 (7 Gal)
- Pin Oak – Deciduous shade tree reaching 60-80'. Fall color is bronze to red. Fast growing. Price – \$30 (5 Gal) & \$45 (7 Gal)
- Red Oak – Deciduous shade tree reaching 60-80'. Fall color is rusty red. Price – \$30 (5 Gal) & \$45 (7 Gal)
- Yoshino Cherry – Deciduous flowering tree reaching 25-40'. Beautiful double white flowers in March and April. Yellow fall color. Price – \$30 (5 Gal) & \$45 (7 Gal)
- Kwanzan Cherry – Deciduous flowering tree reaching 25-30'. Double pink flowers in March and April. Price – \$30 (5 Gal) & \$45 (7 Gal)

- Redbud – Deciduous flowering tree reaching 15-25'. Rosy purple flowers appear in early Spring before the leave emerge. Price – \$30 (5 Gal) & \$45 (7 Gal)
- Forest Pansy Redbud – Deciduous flowering tree reaching 15-25'. This Redbud has purple/red leaves throughout the year. Rosy purple flowers appear in early Spring before the leave emerge. Price – \$30 (5 Gal) & \$45 (7 Gal)
- Green Giant Arborvitae – Large evergreen also great for screening reaching 40-60'. Hold good color even in winter and is nearly pest and disease free. Price – \$15 (3 Gal) & \$85 (15 Gal)
- River Birch – Deciduous trees reaching 50-70'. White peeling bark and great year round interest. Price – \$30 (5 Gal)
- Blackgum – Deciduous shade tree reaching 40-60'. One of the best fall colors on any tree ranging yellow, orange, to reds. Price – \$30 (5 Gal)
- White Dogwood – Deciduous flowering tree reaching 15-30'. White flowers appear in April and glossy red fruit in fall. Price – \$35 (5 Gal) & \$50 (7 Gal)
- Cherokee Chief Dogwood – Deciduous flowering tree reaching 20-30'. Red flowers in spring and glossy red fruit in fall. Price – \$40 (5 Gal) & \$55 (7 Gal)
- Pink Dogwood – Deciduous flowering tree reaching 15-20'. Pink flowers in spring and red fruit in fall. Price – \$40 (5 Gal) & \$55 (7 Gal)

Residents can reserve trees for purchase in advance March 24 through April 21. No deposit is necessary. To reserve a tree, call Jerry Dieruf, Arborist, at 703.838.4999, ext. 451, or e-mail jerry.dieruf@alexandriava.gov. When making your tree purchase reservation, please provide a name, telephone number, and the type and quantities of the tree that you plan to purchase. Advance tree orders may be picked up between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 24. Reserved trees that are not picked up by 10 a.m. on the day of the sale will be made available to the public.

The City of Alexandria is committed to compliance with the City's Human Rights Code and the Americans with Disabilities Act. To request a reasonable accommodation or to request materials in an alternative format, call Jerry Dieruf, Arborist, at 703.746.5498, (TTY 703.838.4902) or e-mail jerry.dieruf@alexandriava.gov.