



City of Houston

Parks & Recreation
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ARBOR DAY 2025

WHAT:	HOUSTON'S 39TH ANNUAL ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION
WHEN:	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2025 START TIME: 9 a.m.-11 a.m.
WHERE:	MAXEY PARK 601 Maxey Rd, Houston, TX 77013
WHO:	Joaquin Martinez, District I Council Member, City of Houston Jessica Jackson, Vice President, Apache Corporation Kenneth Allen, Director, Houston Parks & Recreation Jeremy Burkes, Urban Forester, Houston Parks & Recreation Matt Weaver, Regional Community Forester, Texas Forest Service

The Houston Parks & Recreation Department and Apache Corporation will host Houston's 39th annual Arbor Day Celebration on Saturday, February 8 by planting 300 trees at Maxey Park.

The public is invited to attend and join the fun. Church groups and civic organizations are encouraged to participate. Interview, video, and photograph opportunities available for the media.

While National Arbor Day is Friday, April 25, 2025, due to Houston's warm climate, the Houston Parks and Recreation Department celebrates Arbor Day in February.

Founded in 2005, the Apache Tree Grant Program has granted more than five million trees, with over 460,000 of those trees planted in the greater Houston area. In October 2024, Apache generously donated an additional 1,000 trees and 1,000 seedlings, valued at \$15,000, to Houston Parks and Recreation as part of its annual Tree Grant Program. These trees aim to restore the canopy lost due to the derecho and Hurricane Beryl in 2024.

About Apache:

Apache Corporation is an oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in the United States, Egypt, and the United Kingdom. Apache is a wholly owned subsidiary of APA Corporation. APA posts announcements, operational updates, investor information and press releases on its website, www.apacorp.com

About HPARD:

HPARD stewards and manages over 380 developed parks, 172 greenspaces, and more than 25,000 acres of parkland and greenspace for the City of Houston. HPARD develops and implements recreational programming for citizens of all ages and abilities. The Department is nationally accredited through the National Recreation and Park Association's (NRPA) Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies. For more information on HPARD, visit www.houstonparks.org or email at askparks@houstontx.gov.

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