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Mayor Arthur Bryant  
20025 Mack Plaza Drive  
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Dear Tree City USA Community Member,

On behalf of the Arbor Day Foundation, I congratulate Grosse Pointe Woods on earning recognition as a 2021 Tree City USA. We are so thrilled that Grosse Pointe Woods takes pride in creating a community that places unique value on the planting and caring of trees.

Grosse Pointe Woods is part of an incredible network of more than 3,600 Tree City USA's, with a combined total population of 155 million. The Tree City USA program is one of the Arbor Day Foundation's earliest programs. We are proud to partner with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters to maintain this community.

Over the last few years, it has become increasingly clear of the value and importance that trees hold for our future. Cities and towns across the globe are facing challenges when it comes to air quality, water resources, personal health and well-being, and energy use. Grosse Pointe Woods shows its residents and peers that they are forward-thinking and eager to combat these issues. By showing your dedication to urban forestry, you demonstrate a commitment to a brighter, greener future.

We hope you are as excited as we are to share this accomplishment with your local media and your residents. Enclosed in this packet is a press release for you to distribute at your convenience.

State foresters will receive the Tree City USA recognition materials and coordinate on how to distribute them. We will forward information about your awards to your state forester's office to facilitate the presentation. Your community's Arbor Day ceremony would be the best time to mention the Tree City USA award.

Again, we are excited to celebrate your commitment to the people and trees of Grosse Pointe Woods and thank you for helping us plant, nurture and celebrate trees.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'DLambe'.

Dan Lambe  
Arbor Day Foundation Chief Executive



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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*Arbor Day Foundation Recognizes Grosse Pointe Woods as a Tree City USA®  
Grosse Pointe Woods earns the Tree City USA recognition for their commitment to urban forestry*

LINCOLN, Nebraska (3/8/2022) – Grosse Pointe Woods was named a 2021 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to effective urban forest management.

Grosse Pointe Woods achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: forming a tree board or department, creating a tree-care ordinance, having an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita, and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

"Tree City USA communities benefit from the positive effects that an urban tree canopy has year after year," said Dan Lambe, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "The trees being planted and cared for by Grosse Pointe Woods ensure that generations to come will enjoy a better quality of life. Additionally, participation in this program helps cultivate a sense of stewardship and pride for the trees the community plants and cares for."

Planting trees in an urban space comes with a myriad of benefits past the recognition of this program. Urban tree plantings help reduce energy consumption by up to 25%, which will reduce general energy costs and help with the overall cooling of the city as well. In addition, members of the community benefit from properly placed trees as they increase property values from 7–20%. Trees also positively affect the local ecosystem by helping to clean water and create animal habitats to encourage biodiversity.

More information on the program is available at [arborday.org/TreeCityUSA](http://arborday.org/TreeCityUSA).

#### **About the Arbor Day Foundation**

Founded in 1972, the Arbor Day Foundation has grown to become the largest nonprofit membership organization dedicated to planting trees, with more than one million members, supporters and valued partners. Since 1972, almost 500 million Arbor Day Foundation trees have been planted in neighborhoods, communities, cities and forests throughout the world. Our vision is to lead toward a world where trees are used to solve issues critical to survival.

As one of the world's largest operating conservation foundations, the Arbor Day Foundation, through its members, partners and programs, educates and engages stakeholders and communities across the globe to involve themselves in its mission of planting, nurturing and celebrating trees. More information is available at [arborday.org](http://arborday.org).

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**TREES ARE**  
Terrific  
because...



~~animals live in trees~~  
~~and wild life is so~~  
~~important and that is~~  
~~why trees are~~ **Terrific!**



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**TREES ARE  
TERRIFIC!**

*If does  
Boy matter  
What the  
they looks  
like*

*Trees help  
animals  
hide*

*Trees  
hold things for  
birds to play on*

*Trees  
keep  
cool*

*Trees Make  
Our community  
a better  
Place.*

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