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### **TREE SEEDLING GIVEAWAY MARCH 6**

**WAKE FOREST, NC – February 22, 2010** – The Wake Forest Urban Forestry Advisory Board (UFAB) is hosting its fifth annual tree seedling giveaway on Saturday, March 6, 2010, in the vicinity of the new Wake Forest Town Hall, 301 S. Brooks St. The event is scheduled from 8 am until noon - or until all the seedlings are gone.

UFAB members and area cub scouts will distribute Atlantic White Cedar, Eastern Red Cedar, Overcup Oak, Dogwood, Eastern Redbud, Persimmon, and Crape Myrtle free of charge to Wake Forest-area residents while supplies last. Planting instructions, along with useful information about the trees, will be included with the seedlings.

The tree seedlings are available on a first-come, first serve basis. Reservations and sign-ups prior to the event will not be accepted.

Each year the UFAB sponsors the tree seedling giveaway in observance of Arbor Day, a nationally-celebrated observance that encourages tree planting and care. This year the Town of Wake Forest's Arbor Day Celebration is scheduled for Thursday, March 11 at 10 a.m. at the Wake Forest Community House, 133 W. Owen Ave.

The UFAB is a citizen group appointed by the Wake Forest Board of Commissioners. The UFAB advises the Town of Wake Forest on proper tree maintenance in public areas and is committed to the growth and preservation of the urban forest. Wake Forest has been recognized by the National Arbor Day Foundation as a Tree City USA for 31 consecutive years.

For more information about this year's tree seedling giveaway, call (919) 554-6143 or visit [www.wakeforestnc.gov/government/urbanforestryboard\\_treeseedlinggiveaway.aspx](http://www.wakeforestnc.gov/government/urbanforestryboard_treeseedlinggiveaway.aspx).

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