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The Annual Arbor Day Tree Give Away will be celebrated on Saturday, January 27, 2018 at the Terrebonne Parish Main Library, 151 Library Drive, Houma, LA., 9:00 A.M.

Apache Corporation is pleased to announce that they are donating 200 trees in celebration of Arbor Day 2018. This will be the 12th year that Apache Corporation has made this tree give away event possible. There is a limit of two container saplings per household to be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis; so come early to assure your choice of various Louisiana native seedlings and saplings.

The Tree Give Away is an annual project of The Terrebonne Tree Board. Volunteers assisting with the distribution of the trees include; The La Terre Master Gardeners, LSU Agriculture Center, Terrebonne Parish Government staff, Apache Corporation staff and other community volunteers. These experts will also provide educational information regarding the planting and proper maintenance of the trees.

Apache Corporation is an oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in the United States, Egypt, and the United Kingdom. A cornerstone of Apache's community outreach and giving efforts, the Apache Tree Grant program has donated more than 4 million trees to nonprofits across 17 states since its launch in 2005. In Terrebonne Parish, Apache has donated over 12,000 trees. "Apache loves trees, and we are proud to take part in this continuous effort to maintain Louisiana's green canopy," said Wendy Craven, manager, Corporate Outreach. "Our commitment to the environment, among many of our core values, is ingrained in our culture and empowers employees to be ecologically conscious and to nurture our land." For more information about the Apache Tree Grant Program, please visit www.apachelovestrees.com.

The Terrebonne Tree Board's Mission Statement is: "Planting Trees for Tomorrow, Preserving Trees for Today". The Terrebonne Tree Board takes this opportunity to emphasize the importance of trees as an economic and environmental asset. Trudy Hebert, Terrebonne Tree Board Chair, asks the community to be mindful of where they place trees when planting. "Look above and below", she states. "Check for overhead wires and for servitudes, as well as the size of the tree at full growth". Christopher Pulaski, TPCG Director of Planning and Zoning states: "Trees provide beauty, habitat, and aid in soil erosion control and storm water control. We thank Apache Foundation for their continued support."

Anyone interested in joining the Terrebonne Tree Board or volunteering for projects and events is asked to contact Trudy Hebert at 858-2897.

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