



## THE HOUSTON PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT & TREES FOR HOUSTON



### NEED 1,500 VOLUNTEERS TO PLANT 12,500 TREES IN 4 HOURS !

This fun family event is open to individuals, families, groups and businesses. The new trees will add to Houston's forest canopy today and provide cleaner air, shade and a more beautiful landscape for tomorrow! The trees will be planted on 14 esplanades on Clay Road (between Gessner and Blalock). Pre-registration is required.

Groups, businesses, individuals and families are encouraged to volunteer! Children are welcome but must be accompanied by a responsible adult and will need a completed waiver form signed by their parent or guardian to participate. Individuals or groups with fewer than 10 adults will be assigned to a planting site. To volunteer as a team you must have a minimum of 10 adults and commit to planting a minimum of 100 trees.

All volunteers will be required to fill out and sign a registration and waiver form. Pre-register by calling Gary Woods.

### WE PLANT RAIN OR SHINE !

**Date:** January 24, 2009  
**Time :** 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (noon)  
**Location :** Clay Road  
(Between Gessner and Blalock)  
**Contact:** Gary Woods  
Trees for Houston  
Work: (281) 474-4507  
Cell: (281) 224-8162  
Email: garykwoods@sbcglobal.net

Free parking will be available at the Korean Christian Church of Houston 10410 Clay Road at Shadowdale with shuttle service provided to planting sites.

Water and refreshments will be provided.

See back of flyer for map and instructions !



# **WE PLANT RAIN OR SHINE ! FOR UPDATES VISIT [www.houstonparks.org](http://www.houstonparks.org)**

Volunteers please report to your planting site for training by 7:30 a.m. Water and refreshments will be provided.

## **Locating Your Planting Site :**

- Planting sites are numbered in this manner (example: A10).
- The letter, A through N, indicates the esplanade you've been assigned to. Esplanades are numbered from West to East (Esplanade A is near Gessner Road - Esplanade N is near Blalock Road).
- The number indicates the site on the esplanade where your team will work.
- Look for your site-number sign on your esplanade

## **Parking**

- Parking is limited! Please carpool if possible.
- Parking will be available at the Korean Christian Church 10410 Clay Road at Shadowdale (west of Gessner).
- Shuttle buses will provide transportation to and from parking lot. Please allow enough time for parking and shuttle service to make it to your planting site by 7:30 a.m.

## **Team Instructions**

- Teams should consist of a minimum of 10 adults (but can contain more) committed to planting a minimum of 100 trees. Children can be a part of these teams but each team must have 10 adults.
- Team leaders should contact (prior to planting day) Gary Woods with Trees for Houston to register, for instructions and site assignments.

## **Individual Instructions**

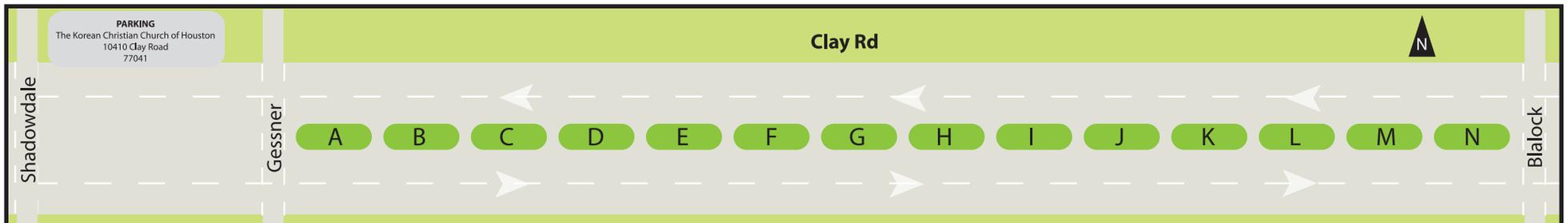
- If you are not a member of a team, but would like to help plant trees, report to the West end of Esplanade A for training and assignment.
- Individuals should contact (prior to planting day) Gary Woods with Trees for Houston to register, for instructions and site assignments.

## **What to Bring**

- Shovels, Rakes and Gloves. If you do not have a shovel, you can mulch.
- Wear work clothes – you will get dirty.
- Sunscreen and Bug spray
- Children are welcome if accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- Please, no pets.

## **All Volunteers Must Pre-Register**

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**Houston Parks and Recreation Department**  
**Arbor Day 2009**  
**Volunteer Registration, Waiver and Release**  
**1/24/2009**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

This form must be signed by each volunteer who will participate (*Participant*) in or otherwise be involved with the City of Houston Parks Department (*City*) Volunteer Program (*Program*). Volunteers under age 18 must have this form signed by a parent or legal guardian.

IN CONSIDERATION OF *PARTICIPANT* BEING PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE AND AS A CONDITION TO BEING ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE *PROGRAM*, I, THE UNDERSIGNED, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MYSELF, MY MINOR CHILD (IF APPLICABLE), MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS AND ASSIGNS, HEREBY RELEASE, ACQUIT AND FOREVER DISCHARGE THE CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS, TOGETHER WITH ITS FORMER AND PRESENT ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS, DIRECTORS, LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES, AGENTS, SERVANTS, EMPLOYEES (IN BOTH THEIR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE CAPACITIES), VOLUNTEERS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, AND ALL AFFILIATED PERSONS AND ENTITIES (HEREINAFTER COLLECTIVELY *CITY*), OF, FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL LIABILITIES OF EVERY KIND, CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, WHETHER AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, UNDER STATUTORY OR COMMON LAW OR PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS OR UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION(S) (INCLUDING ALL EXPENSES OF LITIGATION, COSTS, AND ATTORNEYS' FEES), KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, LOSSES, JUDGMENTS, FINES, DEMANDS, DAMAGES, LOSS OF USE OR SERVICES, OR INJURIES TO REAL AND/OR PERSONAL PROPERTY AND/OR PERSONS (INCLUDING DEATH) (COLLECTIVELY *CLAIMS*), CAUSED BY, ARISING OUT OF, TOUCHING UPON OR IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THE *PROGRAM* AND/OR THE PRESENCE, MALFUNCTION, MAINTENANCE, ADDITION, SUBSTITUTION, USE OR CONDITION OF ANY TANGIBLE PERSONAL OR REAL PROPERTY OWNED, LEASED, OPERATED, OR UTILIZED BY THE *CITY* IN CONNECTION WITH THE *PROGRAM* EVEN IF THE *CLAIM* IS THE RESULT OF THE ACTUAL OR ALLEGED SOLE NEGLIGENCE OF THE *CITY* AND/OR THE RESULT OF THE ACTUAL OR ALLEGED GROSS NEGLIGENCE OF THE *CITY*, AND/OR THE ACTUAL OR ALLEGED JOINT OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF THE *CITY* AND ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY, AND/OR THE ACTUAL OR ALLEGED STRICT, STATUTORY OR CONSTITUTIONAL LIABILITY OF THE *CITY*.

I further represent to City **CHOOSE ONE WHEN CREATING FORM:** [ that I am physically capable of participating in this Program which may involve vigorous physical activity, including but not limited to, planting, mulching, watering trees and /or seedlings, using a rake, hoe or shovel to dig or move dirt and debris, bagging litter, hauling litter bags and transporting debris to a collection area. To my knowledge I have no physical disabilities, impairments or health problems that would interfere with my ability to participate safely in this Program. ] **OR** [ I am capable of performing the following activities: \_\_\_\_\_ ]

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARTICIPANT (If not age 18 or older, parent/guardian must co-sign below.)

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PARENT/GUARDIAN (Undersigned has read the above and understands this waiver.)

**Thank you for volunteering!**