

Planting Nassau's Future Media Release



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More than 140 Free Trees were distributed in Callahan during Adopt A Tree Drive-thru event

Jonah Blutcher was recognized for his video project: [Save The Trees](#).

Nassau County, Florida, March 16, 2022. Keep Nassau Beautiful (KNB) kicked off its spring 2022 Adopt A Tree drive-thru by hosting an event at the NE FL Fairgrounds in Callahan. Nassau County residents reserved one or two trees from a list of five available Florida friendly species.

13 volunteers, including Nassau County Commissioner Klynt Farmer, OHPA Commissioner and KNB BOD Chair Mike Cole, and Nassau County Arborist Garner Cox, were on hand to help residents load their reserved trees in vehicles. The 1-to-3-gallon trees were 4 to 6 feet in height.

During the event KNB recognized Yulee High School student Jonah Blutcher with a gift card for his TSIC scholarship video project titled, Save The Trees. Blutcher's video highlights the benefits of trees and his volunteer work with KNB during Adopt A Tree events. The video is posted on YouTube <https://youtu.be/Y1bQ2YRHAf8> or from a link on the KNB website: <https://keepnassaubeautiful.org/programs/planting-nassaus-future/>

Adopt A Tree Drive-thru events are funded through dedicated grants, fundraising activities and private donations. In partnership, the City of Fernandina Beach provides free trees for residents of the City of Fernandina Beach. Liberty Landscape Supply sponsors the supply of trees. UF/IFAS Nassau County Extension provides the educational component. Residents are asked to help the tree get its best chance at a healthy long life by following the UF/IFAS Nassau County Extension recommendations for proper planting and maintenance including a watering schedule until the tree gets established.

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Keep Nassau Beautiful, Inc. is working to inspire, educate, and equip individuals, groups, businesses and governments to take action to make Nassau County a place where residents, visitors and wildlife can thrive and experience the beauty of Nassau County. www.keepnassaubeautiful.org

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(Left to Right) Nassau County Commissioner Klynt Farmer, Yulee High School student Jonah Blutcher, Nassau County Arborist Garner Cox, OHPA Commissioner and KNB Board Chair Mike Cole help distribute more than 140 trees to residents during the KNB Adopt A Tree drive-thru held in Callahan.



(Left to Right) Mike Cole, Jim McCarter, Samantha Gaehring, John Gaehring, Kim Polsky, Kelley McCarter, Jonah Blutcher, Alex Waltman, and Christine Waltman help distribute more than 140 trees to residents during the KNB Adopt A Tree drive-thru held in Callahan.