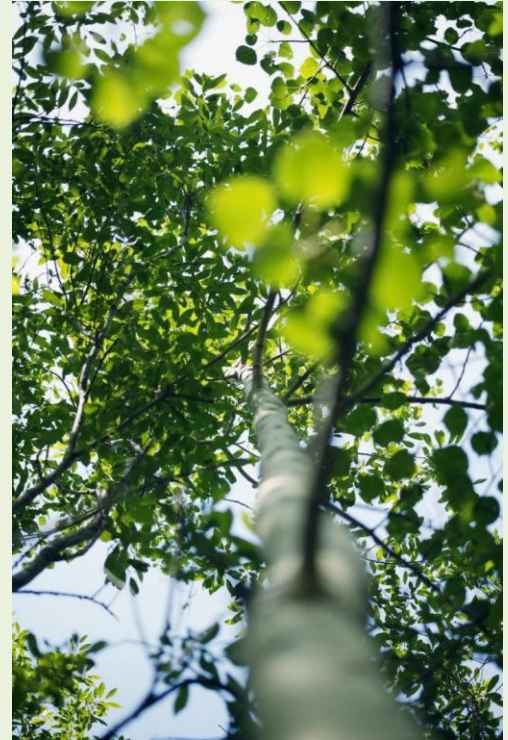


Norwood, NC – (October 20, 2010) – The North Carolina Urban Forest Council, in collaboration with the Town of Norwood, the NC Division of Forest Resources and the NC Cooperative Extension Service in Guilford County, conducted the first ever Legacy Tree Fund planting on Saturday, November 20th, at 9 am. This project involved shade tree planting and the installation of a pocket park in the downtown area of Norwood. More than 50 volunteers, including 4-H members, Boy and Girl Scout troops, students, local residents and church groups, planted trees on the once-barren piece of land, transforming it into a community asset -- a green and beautiful place that builds community, encourages community pride, and adds value to neighborhoods across North Carolina.



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Development and implementation of this tree planting event included the collaborative efforts of the North Carolina Urban Forest Council, the Centralina Council of Governments, the Town of Norwood's town administrator and Public Works Department, and the NC Cooperative Extension Service in Guilford County.



