

State regions, districts, clubs and/or individuals may participate in this program by donating in multiples of \$68. A \$68 donation may be made in honor or in memory of ONE individual, organization or theme.

National Garden Clubs and the USDA Forest Service are proud to have formed a partnership sustaining our national and urban forests through this reforestation/forest education program.

Our Garden Clubs can participate in a meaningful and practical conservation project by contributing \$68.00 to a Penny Pine plantation as part of the costs of replanting or replacing trees indigenous (not just Pine trees) to a particular damaged area, whether by fire or by another natural catastrophe.

Under a Conservation agreement, the Forest Service will do the planting, using your donation together with Federal funds, and will provide to the plantation the same protection from fires, insects, and disease given other forested areas. The plantations are a part of the regular National Forest reforestation program planted on burned-over and brush-covered areas which are potentially productive timberlands. Planting sites are selected by the Supervisor of each National Forest. These plantations provide soil protection, watershed protection, soil stabilization, future harvestable timber, as well as beauty and shade for recreation.

Your donation to the Penny Pines Project will help bring new life into our National Forest!

Please donate when the Penny Pines container is passed to you.

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Cleveland National Forest Penny Pines Program

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HISTORY OF THE PENNY PINES REFORESTATION PROGRAM - In 1941, California's first Penny Pines plantation was sponsored by the San Francisco Sports-women's Association.

Recognizing the great need to restore these devastated areas, the association sent their donation to the Shasta-Trinity National Forest in northern California.

Since that contribution, the number of participating groups and individuals has grown each year. They include such organizations as the Garden and Women's Clubs, Boy and Girl Scouts of America, civic and sportsmen's clubs, and many others.

WHY THE PENNY PINES DONATION IS \$68.00 - At the start of the program in 1941, seedlings could be produced for about one cent each. Approximately 680 seedlings were used to plant a typical acre. For \$68.00, seedlings for ten acres could be purchased. Site preparation and planting costs were met through regular Forest Service appropriations.

The Penny Pines program was so successful that money contributed to purchase seedlings soon far exceeded appropriated funds available for site preparation and for the actual planting job.

In 1964, the original cooperative agreement was rewritten to provide that funds contributed under the Penny Pines program be used for reforestation, rather than solely for purchasing seedlings.

HOW PENNY PINES DONATIONS HELP THE NATIONAL FORESTS - Over the years these groups have contributed more than a million dollars to the Penny Pines Reforestation Program. Through these donations, more than 27 million of seedlings have been planted, renewing 88,000 acres of national

forest land in California--truly an outstanding achievement.

In Southern California, contributions may be used to prepare plantation sites for new trees or planting seedlings grown in Forest Service nurseries throughout California. Seedlings are grown from local seeds and acorns, and replanted near the areas where the seeds were collected to improve their chance of survival. The funds may also be used to maintain existing tree stands and improve wildlife habitat. Plantations are important for watershed protection, soil stabilization and shade for recreation areas. Any of these activities may be funded through Penny Pines donations.

The Penny Pines Reforestation Program plays a vital role both in renewing the national forests in California, and in multiple-use management. Trees help the ground store precious water, protect against soil erosion, and add to the scenic beauty of the national forests.

A minimum donation of \$68.00 may be made to a specific national forest, and even to a specific Ranger District within that national forest. The funds are deposited into a Penny Pines Reforestation account, drawn upon as improvement projects are determined by resource managers. A certificate of appreciation and thank you note is sent to each donor. An initial donation from an organization or individual, or one honoring a deceased person, may also have a memorial plaque installed at a Ranger District Penny Pines Memorial. Your donation to the Penny Pines Project will help bring new life into our National Forests!

These donations are used to replant burned or otherwise damaged forests in conjunction with federal funds. A plantation consists of approximately 350 trees on a little less than one acre. Penny Pines is exclusive to California; trees being replanted are replacement trees native to the area, consisting of Cedar, Fir, Redwood, Oak and of course various Pine varieties.