



## **Accomplishments of the Huntington Beach Tree Society**

**HB Tree Society began as a 501©3 nonprofit in 1998**

**These are our biggest projects from 1998-2023**

**First Projects:** Added/replaced trees in the parks of HB. We wrote CA grants for the purchase of all these trees. High school students and the city park crew helped us with these park plantings. It took the HBTS volunteers years to reforest so many parks in need of more trees.

**Planted park trees with City crew/school children in:** Irby park, Edison park, Oak View park, Chris Carr park, Lake View park, Le Bard park, Marina park, Moffett park, Murdy park, Newland park, Perry park, Sowers park, Sun View park, Talbert park, Bartlett park, Clegg–Stacy park, Drew park, Farquhar park, Lake park, Helme park, Harbor View park, Arevalos park (twice over 50 trees), Tarbox park, Bluff Top park, Seely park, Worthy park, Hawes park, Burke park, Langenbeck park, Triangle park, Sun View park, Gisler park, **Huntington Central Park:** Planted (4) areas of trees in the West side. Trees on the East side are still being planted.

**Shipley Nature Center:** Founding members of the Friends of the Shipley. Worked two years removing all the non–native plants/trees. Wrote/received grants for all the newly planted trees (over 100+), Board member over 10 years. We are now maintaining the entire front of Shipley Nature Center by adding more trees, flowers and beautiful boulders and keeping it weeded.

**Y–2K year** we planted (3) Gingko trees in most pocket parks. We wrote a grant for these trees.

**Arbor Day events** have been celebrated every year since 1999. Most of the events were held in a park/school setting with grade school children. The Park, Tree and Landscape crew always assisted us with these park plantings. Each event was covered by the local newspapers.

**Memorial Trees:** Provided the public with the opportunity to plant a tree for a loved one. Gibbs Park restoration--Added trees, plants, (10) circle tiles that show the metamorphosis of the Monarch butterfly and repaired pylons and the large butterfly tile circle.

**Secret Garden restoration:** Spent years removing invasive/over grown plants. Added beautiful trees/plants, rebuilt the trail system and installed a beautiful metal entrance arch. Hold children events in this area. All maintenance/replacement plants are provided by HBTS volunteers.

**Central Park Drive Median:** Donation given to HBTS for a landscaper to design the new median and pay for all the planting of the new trees and plants. HBTS volunteers maintain the site. Overlook Park: Removed all weeds/invasive plants and replanted the park with only native California trees and plants.

**Jack–Green area** in Central Park was cleared by the City crew and we helped replant it.

**“Saving Green”** This film was made by an up and coming film director about the HBTS volunteers. It took him 6 months to make this delightful film and it was first viewed at a film festival.

**School Campuses:** Oak View school campus. Planted (65) trees (a Disneyland Grant) on their play ground along Nicholes street to stop the smell/dirt from the recycling operation across the street. Ocean View campus planted trees in front, Pegasus School campus planted two times with over (30) trees, Santa Ana school campus planted trees/plants, Marine View school campus, Hawes school campus, Dwyer school campus, Middle school campus in Compton, Seacliff Elementary campus, and Huntington Christian School.

**Shipley to Shore Trail:** We encouraged the city to start this trail from the SNC parking lot to the ocean. We have planted hundreds of trees/plants to landscape it. Currently we are placing large boulders along it for way finding markers. Currently we are working with County of Orange and City of HB officials on the opening of the Shipley to Shore Trail.

**Urban Forest:** Started out as bare land on the back side of West Central Park. Through years of hard work our volunteers have planted it into a beautiful forest. Donations, grants and hard work turned this land into a peaceful forest. Every tree/plant that was purchased/planted, the beautiful wooden rail fence, installation of irrigation lines as well as continual maintenance was accomplished by the HBTS.

**Disabled Riding Ring:** Paid \$5,000.00 for their landscape drawings and bought/planted the plants.

**Street trees:** Edwards Street: Planted 30+ trees and added irrigation; Magnolia Street: Planted 20+ trees; Main Street median by city hall planted all the Camphor trees; Golden West Street planted all the Torrey Pines in front of the SNC parking lot.

**Irrigation lines:** Paid for new irrigation lines in some parks and keep them repaired Golden View Farm: One year we added a fruit tree arbor in the farm and another year we mulched the farm and improved the area.

**Bolsa Chica State Beach:** Planted trees on the street side.

**Downtown library:** Planted trees in front area.

**Provided over 110 projects** for boys/girls scouts to receive their Eagle and Gold Star badges.

**Met with city staff** once a month since 1999 to discuss tree planting projects.

**“Don’t Feed the Animals”** programs/signs in parks.

**Tree/Butterfly information** booths and education programs.

**HBTS volunteers provide the City of HB with hundreds of thousands of dollars of donated park labor each year. The above information does not list all of our projects.**