Costa Mesa recognized with Tree City USA designation for the 21st year

The City of Costa Mesa has once again been recognized as a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation. 2025 marks the 21st year that the city has met all the criteria required to receive this designation.

Earning Tree City USA recognition is a great accomplishment for our community as it recognizes the City’s commitment to growing and maintaining its urban forest.

According to the Arbor Day Foundation, a thriving urban forest offers a number of advantages to the community such as:

• Trees help absorb the sounds of traffic in urban areas by 40%.

• Neighborhoods with trees are seven to nine degrees cooler than those without.

• Trees reduce energy costs up to 25% by shading buildings and protecting them from winter winds.

• Homes with trees have higher property values.

• Green space plays a major role in improving mental and physical health.

• Planting and maintaining trees absorbs carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, mitigating the effects of climate change.