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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## 46th Annual Tree Seedling Sale - Time to Start Planting Trees

Charlotte, NC - Mecklenburg County residents are known to appreciate the benefit and need for trees in a rapidly developing region. That's why the Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District in collaboration with <u>TreesCharlotte</u> is pleased to announce the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Tree Seedling Sale. TreesCharlotte, established in 2012, is a non-profit organization, created as a public/private collaboration dedicated to planting trees, primarily through volunteer efforts. They have been the driving force behind the bold initiative of achieving 50% tree canopy coverage by 2050. TreeCharlotte also educates Charlotte's residents on the importance of the canopy and ways to plant and preserve trees.

- Saturday, February 25, 2017
- 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. (or until sold out)
- Hal Marshall County Services Center, 700 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, NC 28202

A wide variety of native species will be offered ranging in price from \$1 to \$3 each plus tax and include Shadbush (sold out), Beautyberry, Buttonbush, Witch Hazel (sold out), Yaupon Holly, Spicebush, Waxmyrtle, Highbush Blueberry, Yellowroot (limited quantities), PawPaw, Eastern Redbud, Fringe Tree, Dogwood, Red Maple and Eastern Red Cedar. Please visit our website for photos and additional information about the trees.

**SAVE THE RAIN:** In addition to planting more trees, consider saving water for the next dry period. Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District in collaboration with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services offer rain barrels for sale to the public. We will offer two sizes: a 60-gallon for \$105.00 and an 80-gallon for \$120.00, prices include tax.



The Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District is a local organization working with residents, agencies, and business owners to plan and direct programs for the conservation and development of natural resources. For more information on the Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District, visit the Web site www.mecklenburgconservation.com or call 704-336-2455.

Yours for Life

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