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Planting Nassau's Future Media Release



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Planting Nassau's Future with Callahan Girl Scouts

Callahan Girl Scout Troop 336 initiate donation of trees recently planted at Ewing Park.

Callahan, Florida, August 6, 2021. – Girl Scout Troop 336 contacted Keep Nassau Beautiful about a project they were working on to promote "clean air". Troop members were eager to raise money to plant a Legacy tree and help beautify a spot in Callahan. Thru a donor that asked KNB to "plant small trees, legacy trees, any trees," the fundraising of the troops was matched and KNB partner Liberty Landscape Supply delivered and planted a total of three 30-gallon live oak trees.

Janet Shaw, Callahan Parks and Recreation Commissioner, and Mike Williams, Town Manager/Public Works Director agreed that Ewing Park would be a perfect location for three new live oak trees. Ms. Shaw recommended locations near newly installed playground equipment. Troop leaders, Aimee Morgan and Christine Waltman, ensured the trees received daily watering during their first weeks in the ground. Their dedication to filling three 20-gallon water bags daily help ensure the trees got their best chance for a long and healthy life.

The youth and leaders of Troop 336 initiated and led the project to promote clean air and beautify the park. They took the initiative to raise funds and seek partners who could help them accomplish their objectives, and they dedicated time to the steps required for the proper care and maintenance of a newly planted tree. As a result of their initiative three beautiful newly planted trees may provide benefits to residents, visitors and wildlife for years to come!

"We appreciate donors who make our program, Planting Nassau's Future, possible. We thank the Town of Callahan for providing a planting location. And most importantly we appreciate Troop 336 whose youth and leadership made this project possible," said Lynda Bell, Executive Director KNB.

To get involved in Planting Nassau's Future: <u>www.KeepNassauBeautiful.org</u> or 261-0165.



Girl Scout Troop 336 members participate in Planting Nassau's Future. Standing left to right: Rebecca Dixon, Sam Schumacher, Haley Santos, Sammy Waltman, Bonnie Morgan (kneeling)



Left to Right: Bonnie Morgan, Aimee Morgan, Janet Shaw with one of the recently donated Live Oak trees at Ewing Park.

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