



WELCOME!

Your gift each month is helping
Austin Parks Foundation build community and
improve Austin's parks, trails and green spaces! This
packet is a special tree-themed kit thanks to an Urban
Forest grant from the City of Austin.



ABOUT APF

Austin Parks Foundation supports parks of all sizes and in every area of Austin. We host volunteer days, and free Movies in the Park. We help neighborhoods improve and fund their parks, and we help Austinites find ways to get involved in the future of our parks.

As a member of Little Hummingbird Society you'll get the following perks:

- · New activity packets, like this one, every few months
 - · Fun freebies like stickers, pencils and more
 - Special volunteer and educational events just for LHS members



ADVOCACY

ad·vo·ca·cy | noun | public support for a cause

At APF we want all of our friends to become advocates and speak up for our parks. Here is JR's advice for how YOU can become a park advocate.



- 1) Write your New Year's resolution! A great way to become a park advocate is to write down your goals for how you'll help parks in 2019.
- 2) Share it with us! Let us know what you wrote by taking a photo and sending it to development@austinparks.org or posting on social media with #kidsplusparks

MY 2019 RESOLUTION:

VOLUNTEER

As one of our LHS members you get to join us at volunteer projects made just for you! These projects are a great way for parents and kids to make an impact together in Austin's parks.

UPCOMING PROJECT DETAILS

December 8, 2018 | 9am to 12pm

Tree planting at Bartholomew District Park

February 9, 2019 | 2pm to 4pm

Tree care project details coming soon!

Register at austinparks.givepulse.com





YOUR STORY

We want to hear your tree story! Write a story about your favorite tree, a pretend tree, or why you love trees, and send it in for a chance to be featured in our next Little Hummingbird Society booklet. Finished stories can be emailed to development@austinparks.org, or mailed to:

Austin Parks Foundation
Attn: Little Hummingbird Society
1023 Springdale Rd #4B
Austin, TX 78721



ME + TREES

Draw the leaves of the different types of trees in the passport at the back of the booklet. Post a picture of your drawings on social media with #kidsplusparks and tag us @austinparksfdn or send to development@austinparks.org.



TREE SEARCH





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EVENTS



POLAR EXPRESS AT THE TRAIL OF LIGHTS

One of Austin's best holiday events will feature a movie night with APF! Join us for this FREE showing and some special surprises in Zilker Park.

December 13th, 7pm at The Trail of Lights Community Stage

AUSTINPARKS.ORG/MOVIES



AUSTIN MARATHON

Did you know the Austin Marathon has a kids' run as part of the Manzano Mile? Register to run and join team APF in fundraising for our parks, trails and green spaces!

February 16th, 11am at the Palmer Events Center

AUSTINPARKS.ORG/RUN

GROWING UP GREEN

SIMPLE STEPS TO START YOUR URBAN GARDEN

- 1) Healthy plants need healthy food; search for good soil with a trusted adult.
- 2) Find a pot or a section of your yard that gets plenty of sunshine; ask an adult to help choose the perfect home!
- 3) Once you've settled your dirt in your chosen space, poke your seeds into the soil. If you have a plant, make sure you cover the roots with soil and give your dirt a gentle pat.
- 4) After you're finished, give your plant its first drink of water!



SONGS + PARKS

THE GARDEN SONG

Inch by inch, row by row
Gonna make this garden grow
All it takes is a rake and a hoe
And a piece of fertile ground

Inch by inch, row by row
Someone bless these seeds I sow
Someone warm them from below
'Til the rain comes tumbling down

Pulling weeds and pickin' stones
Man is made from dreams & bones
Feel the need to grow my own
'Cause the time is close at hand

Grain for grain, sun and rain Find my way in nature's chain To my body and my brain To the music from the land



PASSPORT

Try to visit all the famous Austin trees below and place a sticker when you go!



THANK YOU!

We want to say a special thanks to these
Little Hummingbird Society supporters for their
help with this activity packet plus the goodies in this
season's kit. And to YOU for joining us!







