

ARMENIA TREE PROJECT

Our Mission

ATP works to further Armenia's economic and social development by mobilizing resources to fund reforestation. These new trees provide food, wood, environmental benefits, and opportunities for economic growth. Our goal is to assist the Armenian people in using trees to improve their standard of living and protect the environment. We are guided by the need to promote self-sufficiency, aid those with the fewest resources first, and conserve the indigenous ecosystem.



Our Approach



Our Goals

- Continue to promote economic development by providing a market for purchasing seedlings from 400 backyard nurseries and hiring local workers to plant and care for the trees
- Reforest 600 acres of land in Lori Marz and Gegharkunik with 700,000 seedlings grown in the Mirak Family Reforestation Nursery and backyard nurseries
- Inaugurate the new Michael & Virginia Ohanian Center for Environmental Studies in Margahovit
- Foster a new generation of environmental stewards who will help ensure that Armenia has a healthy and prosperous future by training 3,000 public school teachers in implementing our “Plant an Idea, Plant a Tree” curriculum
- Introduce the curriculum to 8 Armenian schools in the US to foster a closer connection with Armenia’s environment and students there.
- Publish Armenia’s first ever Manual for Sustainable Forestry and begin trainings with stakeholders
- Maintain our 85% survival rate for all CTP program trees three years after planting, by providing ongoing monitoring and technical support to communities who receive the trees

Community Tree Planting

Over 50,000 trees are planted each year at various sites such as villages, schools, churches, orphanages, parks, hospitals and senior centers.

53 varieties of high quality, drought resistant indigenous trees are propagated for our CTP program at our nurseries in Karin & Khachpar.



Rural and Mountainous Development

Through family-based backyard nursery micro-enterprises and the 15-acre Mirak Family Reforestation Nursery, ATP has developed the capacity to produce more than one million trees for reforestation purposes each year.

All of our trees are grown in Armenia from seeds collected in the local forests.

Using this village-based model of reforestation and community development, ATP has become a “partner in development” with village residence who are encouraged to become agents of restoration and reforestation.

This program was recognized as the 2008 National winner of the Energy Globe Award for Sustainability



Environmental Education

ATP provides environmental education to residents of Armenia at every step of the process of propagating and planting trees. Our environmental education curriculum is now being implemented in public schools and our Michael & Virginia Ohanian Environmental Education Center in Karin gives students hands on experience.

We recently established a new Ohanian Center for Environmental Studies in the Lori region to provide a setting for students and community members to learn about sustainable forestry practices and Armenia's unique environmental heritage.

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Before and After Photos

St. Mesrob Mashtots Church, Oshakan



London Plane Park, Malatia Sebastia



St. Anna Church, Malishka Village



Bleyan Educational Center, Malatia Sebastia



Diaconia Settlement of Hope





ATP Yerevan Staff & Board Members (2007)

More than 5.4M trees planted since 1994



ATP Founder Carolyn Mugar



Thank You

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