

# Thank You Forest

I want you to know that we need each other. If we take care of you, you will take care of us. We have a symbiotic relationship.

We need to plant more trees. If we take too many trees from you, then there would not be homes for animals and there would be less jobs. If we take too many trees without planting new ones, we won't have clean air to breathe. We need to make sure to plant more trees after we harvest you.

My dad used to be a firefighter. He did fire patrol, thinning projects, digging trails, and digging a fire line. His job helped to protect you.

My family loves to be in nature. I love the clear water and the beautiful forest around me. When I am camping, I feel rested and happy. I am ready to explore. I feel like climbing a tree. I love to go biking and feel the wind rushing in my hair like the wind in a tree's branches. Thank you for being the place where I can have all these experiences.

You provide wood to make paper, houses, ice cream, pencils, and so much more. To show my thanks to you, I will not leave litter in you, I will be responsible, I will care for you, and I will try to not be wasteful. Anything I can do for you, I will try. We can be friends. Thank you forest.