

August 19, 2024

Township of East Garafraxa  
065371 Dufferin County Road 3, Unit 2  
East Garafraxa ON  
L9W 7J8

Dear Sir or Madam,

CVC is interested in submitting funding proposals to the [Green Municipal Fund \(GMF\) for Growing Canada's Community Canopies](#) funding (intakes in July and October 2024) to facilitate tree planting in the Township of East Garafraxa. These projects directly align with the GMF's objectives and our mission to protect and restore the Credit River Watershed through science, education and action.

Forestry Rural Tree Planting Project:

Forestry Greenbelt Tree Planting Project: This project will increase tree planting efforts on private lands within the countryside greenbelt areas of the Credit River Watershed. Our goal is to plant 3,000 additional trees (on top of our planned 5,000 trees) by 2026. The objectives of the project are to increase and connect forest cover and native species diversity through the planting of container stock. These plantings will help to improve human wellbeing and resilience to climate change, sequester carbon, protect and improve water quality and quantity, and create and enhance watershed forest habitat and biodiversity. These are restoration and management-based projects designed and implemented by CVC Forestry staff. Sites are prioritized based on CVC's Natural Heritage System and include former, marginal agricultural fields, riparian buffers, forest expansion and diversification, windbreaks, and restoration within existing forest impacted by pest and disease.

We understand that there may be parallel proposals from our municipal partners. In the spirit of collaboration, we encourage your staff to connect with our CVC program contacts for more information and to address any concerns about potential overlap in our efforts.

Forestry Rural Tree Planting Project,  
Aaron Day: [aaron.day@cvc.ca](mailto:aaron.day@cvc.ca)

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,



Corporate Secretariat, CVC

## MUNICIPAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION TEMPLATE

To be eligible for GMF's funding, non-municipal applicants must provide a resolution drafted and adopted by the municipal council partnering on the project. When submitting your application to FCM, please include proof that the resolution was adopted by submitting one of the following:

- a formal copy of the resolution (on letterhead with a seal or signature and date)
- a signed and dated copy of the minutes at which the motion was adopted (including the text of the resolution)
- a signed and dated copy of the text of the resolution, with confirmation from the applicant that the text is identical to that adopted by council

A resolution is not required for municipal lead applicants. However, a resolution may be used to meet evidence of municipal support, which is an application submission requirement.

Sample council resolution text

### **FCM's Growing Canada's Community Canopies Funding Opportunity - Town of Erin Proposal**

WHEREAS planting trees across <name of municipality> will provide many benefits to residents, including increased forest cover and biodiversity, improved soil and water conservation, providing wildlife habitat and climate change adaptation and resiliency.

Whereas, Credit Valley Conservation is undertaking the **Forestry Rural Tree Planting, Community Stewardship Tree Planting Project and Credit River Watershed Home Tree Planting Project.**

Be it resolved that <council> acknowledges that Credit Valley Conservation is applying for a funding opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Growing Canada's Community Canopies initiative for **Forestry Rural Tree Planting, Community Stewardship Tree Planting Project and Credit River Watershed Home Tree Planting Project.** in partnership with <name of municipality>.

AND FURTHER THAT Council recognizes that the lifetime contribution from the Growing Canada's Community Canopies initiative will not exceed \$10 million for tree planting within The <name of municipality>, inclusive of a maximum contribution of \$1 million for infrastructure activity costs, and that if approved this project will be counted towards that limit.