October 23, 2023

To Mayor and Council Copy to City Clerk The City of Prince George 1100 Patricia Blvd. Prince George, B.C. V2L 3V9

Regarding: Community Tree Grant applications with Tree Canada - available until December 3rd, up to \$10,000 available.

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

I am forwarding this information to you in hopes that the city of Prince George will take advantage of this tremendous offer. Information is attached for your perusal.

We are seeing the need to plant trees in many places in Prince George and Trees Canada is enthusiastically able to help. There are many sites in Prince that could benefit from increasing tree coverage and producing fresher air for us, as well as growing attractive landscaping for the eye.

As representing Moore's Meadow Park, I suggest the bare hill on 1st Avenue as one site that needs refreshing, (although I am sure there are others). I would guarantee enthusiastic community response to planting trees at that location from residents spread over Prince George, including the local schools – particularly if this is done during City clean up and Parks Appreciation Day in April of 2024.

"Treeing" Prince George would be a great way to work with climate change and improve our tourism outlook. The thought has been voiced by several people around replacing every tree removed with two trees that are indigenous to the area; and we can do more to help that goal.

Please consider this free offer from Trees Canada by applying before the December 3rd deadline. It would be a very healthy option for us to do that and a great way to beautify the city.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

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News & Opportunities

Community Tree Grant applications are now open!

Each year, Tree Canada helps schools, community groups, Indigenous communities and municipalities across Canada looking to plant trees or develop green infrastructure through creative projects.

Up to \$10,000 per project is available.

This is your chance to create a greener, healthier, and more beautiful Canada, one tree at a time!

Apply today →

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Dear Tree Canada Community,

I am still amazed at the impact that communities made across Canada on National Tree Day – over 1,400 volunteers gathered to plant over 6,300 trees! My thanks go out to everyone who participated, and once again to our presenting sponsor BMO, for making this the biggest National Tree Day ever!

Looking ahead to next year, we are currently accepting applications for our Community Tree Grants. Schools, community groups, Indigenous communities and municipalities across Canada can apply for funding for their 2024 projects until December 3rd. It's a privilege to be able to support local greening initiatives, and I look forward to seeing the applications roll in.

Finally, I'm excited to announce that <u>our annual report is now available</u>. This report covers Tree Canada's activities from April 2022 to March 2023. It's an opportunity for you to see what we were able to achieve thanks to your support and involvement. Together, we can continue to make a difference for the environment and our communities.

Sincerely,

Nicole Hurtubise Chief Executive Officer, Tree Canada