

URBAN REFORESTATION PROGRAM

GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION

The town of Grand Falls has established a “share-the-cost” program for tree planting projects that create or enhance green space within the municipality. This program is designed to provide an incentive to owners to plant more trees thus improving our environment.

Eligible applicants: Any person, group or business planning to plant trees in the town of Grand Falls.

Application process:

- Those who wish to participate in this program must complete a written application with the Town.
- Applications will be reviewed on a first come, first served basis in terms of the date the signed application is received.
- The municipality will reimburse 50% upon reception of a **detailed** invoice from a local retailer, up to the approved amount, upon project completion and verification by the town.
- Application forms are available at the Town Hall, 131 Pleasant Street, Grand Falls New Brunswick, E3Z 1G6 or on the Web site: grandfalls.com. Contact person: Lise J. Ouellette (475-7777).

Eligible projects :

- Grants are available for the purchase of trees only and must meet the following criteria:
 - Projects that use trees to beautify, reduce energy consumption and / or erosion.
 - Projects that use shrubs to reduce or prevent erosion only*.
 - Projects that involve species that are adapted to the local climate, that are hardy and pest free, that are non-invasive and desirable.
 - Environmentally friendly projects i.e.: using organic fertilizers etc.
 - Purchases made from retailers in the regions. The “region” includes from New Denmark to Saint-André inclusively.

**To be approved, projects involving shrubs must be situated in the erosion zone as determined by the 2012 GEMTEC study. Shrubs must be planted along the cliff or riverbank where the erosion is occurring.*

***For more information on the GEMTEC study, please contact Mr. Éric Gagnon at 475-7777 ext. 3.*

Ineligible projects:

- Projects that will eventually conflict with overhead utilities or underground infrastructure.
- Species that are ill-adapted to the local climate, that are short-lived, pest-prone, invasive, a nuisance or otherwise undesirable.
- Landscaping projects including flowers, plants or shrubs (other than for erosion control)

Recipient responsibilities:

- Recipients must agree to complete their project and allow periodic inspections.
- Where a project is not on the applicant's land, the applicant has entered into an agreement with the owner for access to the land in order to complete the project.
- Projects must be completed by October 31st of each year;
- Recipients must agree to water the new trees and to protect them from potential damages. Recipients must guarantee required maintenance as necessary to the project's survival.
- Recipients must comply with all applicable municipal, provincial and federal laws and regulations.
- Recipients will be responsible for the selection, purchase and planting of trees, subject to Town approval and per the approved species list.
- Recipients will be responsible for all necessary planning and organisation for all types of projects, subject to Town approval.
- Subsequent trimming / pruning.

Town responsibilities:

- The Town will pay 50% of costs of accepted projects up to a maximum amount of \$400, until depletion of funds, per the approved application upon receiving an invoice and after verification of the completed project.

Eligible costs:

- Purchase cost of trees only and of shrubs under certain conditions.



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APPLICATION FORM

Grant Applicant: _____

Grant Amount Requested: _____

Applicant's mailing address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

For business or groups

Applicant's authorized representative: _____

Title: _____ Telephone / Fax: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

Please return this application to:

Town of Grand Falls

131 Pleasant Street Suite 200

Grand Falls NB E3Z 1G6

Attention: Mrs. Lise J. Ouellette, Urban Reforestation Program

By signing below, the applicant certifies that he / she has read and understands all sections of this application packet and certifies that the information presented in the attached grant proposal is accurate. The applicant agrees to comply with all requirements set forth in the grant guidelines, and understands that failure to comply with requirements will result in forfeiture of grant moneys.

Signature of applicant / authorized representative

Date

