

# Community Action for Streams, Wetlands & Shorelines

Project	Grant Rate	Max Grant
Community Streams Action Projects	75%	\$7500
Streamside Tree Planting	100%	\$1000 Up to \$10 grant/tree

## Rationale:

- To increase streamside and shoreline habitat in order to improve water quality, stabilize stream banks, filter excess nutrients and create habitat corridors to permit the migration of native wildlife.

## Eligible Projects:

- Projects must involve a community group, or community volunteers beyond the landowners
- Includes any publicly initiated projects that directly or indirectly improve overall watershed health. Projects will be judged based on an individual basis.
- Rural, urban, agricultural, commercial and public lands streamside/ shoreline properties are eligible

## Community Action Projects

- May include the building of erosion control measures, stream reach 'clean-ups', community habitat restoration projects, and other projects that reduce non-point source control pollution or enhance stream and shoreline habitat.

## Community Streamside/Shoreline Tree Plants:

- Reforestation of stream-sides with any permanent strip of **native** trees and shrubs
- Up to 30m wide on each side of the water-body.
- Bare-root trees and shrubs are preferred:
  - 100 plant minimum

## Conditions:

- Projects need to be designed to improve water quality and overall stream health.
- Written permission of the landowner(s), where the project will take place, must be given on the grant application and a landowner agreement signed if the grant is approved.
- Landowners need to agree that the project will be protected for at least 10 years.



Community volunteers, students, guides & scout groups can lend a helping hand planting thousands of trees that improve water quality in the Nottawasaga Valley!



River rehabilitation may include bioengineering, live-staking, floodplain creation, and ecological-sound stream erosion reduction efforts.

### **Eligible Costs**

- Licensed contractor fees.
- Materials and contract labour from registered companies
- Related material transportation costs ( e.g. trash-bin rental and removal, tree deliveries)
- Fees for design, construction and supervision.

### **Ineligible Costs:**

- Purchase of equipment and machinery (may be decided on an individual basis).
- Continual operating costs
- Labour and equipment use of the applicant, family dependents, and the applicant's business
- Grants will not be provided for costs of in-kind labour and machine time, and personal expenses of the applicant(s), the applicant(s) business, or family members

## **\*\*Community Links\*\***

*Are you a volunteer group looking for a project?*

*Are you a landowner that needs help planting along your stream?*

*NVCA may be able to help.*

