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Volunteers needed for fall TD Tree Day planting events in Stayner, Minesing and Orangeville

UTOPIA, Ontario (September 16, 2019) – The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) is looking for volunteers to plant trees in parks and conservation areas in Stayner, Minesing and Orangeville at three events this fall.

These trees will be planted along rivers and creeks inside the parks. As they grow, the trees will help improve water quality and create habitat for fish and other aquatic life. Birds and pollinators that live or migrate through these areas will also benefit from these trees.

“We always encourage families to volunteer at tree planting events,” said Shannon Stephens, Healthy Waters Program Coordinator at the NVCA. “The kids learn how to create habitat for plants and animals and contribute to reducing climate change. Plus, it’s a great bonding experience for the entire family.”

The tree planting events are suitable for all ages and are eligible events for students in need of high school volunteer hours. Volunteers are required to bring closed-toed shoes or boots, gloves, sunscreen, hat, water and a shovel (if available).

Here are the details of the events:

Saturday, September 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.: volunteers will meet at the Clearview EcoPark, 300 Mowat Street North, Stayner, Ontario to plant 300 trees and shrubs along Lamont Creek.

Saturday, September 28, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.: volunteers will meet at the Edenvale Conservation Area, 3920 Highway 26, Minesing, Ontario to plant 500 trees in the park and along the Nottawasaga River.

Saturday, October 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.: volunteers will meet at the Mono Community Pollinator Garden, 246366 Hockley Rd, Mono (Orangeville), Ontario to plant 300 trees.

All three of these planting days are part of TD Tree Days, a national program lead by TD Friends of the Environment Foundation. These family-friendly events encourage volunteers to plant trees to help the environment in their local community. NVCA is pleased to work with TD and other groups, including Clearview Township, Town of Shelburne, and Nature Conservancy Canada on these events.

To volunteer at NVCA's TD Tree Days, visit the NVCA website at www.nvca.on.ca or TD Tree Days at tdtreedays.com.

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About NVCA: The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority is a public agency dedicated to the preservation of a healthy environment through specialized programs to protect, conserve and enhance our water, wetlands, forests and lands. www.nvca.on.ca

About TD Tree Days: TD Tree Days invests in the health of our urban tree canopies, and offers TD employees, their families, and our community partners, a fun, easy and rewarding way to give back and help green the communities in which they live and work. TD Tree Days has been bringing people together since 2010 and is helping to create a more vibrant planet by growing and enhancing green spaces and is contributing to TD's Ready Commitment target of helping plant 1 million trees by 2030. Over 394,000 native trees and shrubs have been planted in communities across North America through TD Tree Days, and this fall thousands of volunteers will come together to further enhance over 100 green spaces for everyone to enjoy. To ensure that the right tree is properly planted in the right place, over 90 local community organizations, including conservation authorities, municipalities and Indigenous communities support TD Tree Days with technical expertise. For more information and to register, visit tdtreedays.com.

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