

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON Media Release

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GREEN LEGACY TO PROVIDE CONTACT-FREE HOME DELIVERY OF MUNICIPAL TREE ORDERS

WELLINGTON COUNTY, ON – In an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19, the County of Wellington has cancelled all upcoming Green Legacy Municipal Tree Day events. The Green Legacy will alternatively be offering a contact-free home delivery service of tree orders across the County.

Residents who have already placed tree orders will be contacted by Green Legacy staff over the next few days and provided with further delivery information. County residents who have not yet ordered trees, will be able to place orders online at www.greenlegacy.ca until April 30, 2020. Trees are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

"The Green Legacy has been growing over 160,000 seedlings to be planted and distributed throughout the County this year," said Warden Kelly Linton. "Green Legacy tree giveaway events are great annual programmes to have in our communities, and the County is very happy to be able to adapt and safely deliver these trees."

All home deliveries will be contact-free and will have no delivery charge. County staff will begin deliveries the week of April 13, and residents will be notified prior to the delivery of their order.

"Planting trees on your property and connecting with nature is one of the few exercises that most residents can do safely right now" said Aldo Salis, the County's Director of Planning and Development. "The Green Legacy has distributed over 2.5 million trees in the County since 2004, and we are grateful that the thousands of seedlings that we've grown this year can still be planted in our community."

For additional details about the Green Legacy and their tree giveaway programme, please visit www.greenlegacy.ca.

For the most up to date information on the County's response to COVID-19, please visit www.wellington.ca. For additional information on COVID-19, and how to protect yourself, please visit Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health at www.wdgpublichealth.ca.

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