

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Hawthorne Park receives grant for tree planting

#### Summary

On Saturday, October 17, a cheque was presented to the City of Nanaimo from the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation and Tree Canada. The money was for tree planting in Hawthorne Park as part of the TD Green Streets Program.

The Mayor, members of City Council, City staff, representatives from TD and Tree Canada, and neighbours of Hawthorne Park, participated in a community tree plant-out to celebrate the grant.

*Strategic Link:* Environmental Responsibility; Community-building Partnerships

#### Key Points

- Over 20 large deciduous trees and a Garry Oak meadow were planted in Hawthorne Park.
- The City of Nanaimo was awarded a \$13,300 grant to plant trees in Hawthorne Park from TD Friends of the Environment Foundation and Tree Canada as part of the TD Green Streets program.
- The City of Nanaimo and park neighbours applied for the grant to further the community's park improvements under the City Partners in Parks (PIP) program.

#### Quotes

"I would like to thank TD Friends of the Environment Foundation and Tree Canada. The Green Streets Program is a great way to revitalize the urban forest in communities across Canada."

Councillor Ian Thorpe  
Chair, Parks and Recreation Commission  
City of Nanaimo

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