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## City to receive grant from TD Friends of the Environment Foundation

City of Nanaimo, Parks and Recreation is pleased to announce that they will receive a \$6,600 grant from the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation on Earth Day, April 20, 2018. TD Friends of the Environment (TD FEF) is a national charity committed to protecting the environment and greening communities across Canada.

"TD FEF is supporting Parks and Recreation's Adopt-A-Park Program, which allows environmentally conscious groups to complement and enhance the regular maintenance of Nanaimo Parks staff in contributing to a cleaner, healthier, safer, invasive-free environment in local parks," said Deborah Beck, Recreation Coordinator, "We appreciate all the support from the TD and are very excited to get to work growing this program."

"We know that green spaces are vital to our well-being and our communities," said Mandip Kharod, Regional Manager, TD FEF, "At TD, our goal is to make a lasting impact through our contributions and we are thrilled to support this program. Green spaces are where communities come together to talk and play and where people find common ground and connect."

Invasive plant work parties and drop zones are being offered over the next few weeks in celebration of Earth Day and more information can be found at <a href="https://www.nanaimo.ca">www.nanaimo.ca</a> in the events section.

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