



THE CITY OF MONCTON RECEIVES FUNDING FROM *CN EcoConnexions - From the Ground Up* program.

Grant to support local planting project along the CN Subway

Moncton, September 6, 2018 –The City of Moncton received a matching grant of \$25,000 to implement a *CN EcoConnexions From the Ground Up* program. These grants are a part of the *CN and Tree Canada* initiative that invests in community greening projects across Canada. More than 140 applications received from Canadian communities of all types and sizes.

This grant will allow for the addition of more than 200 new plants along the CN subway in downtown Moncton including a red maple, hawthorns, roses and raspberries. The CN Subway's prominent place in the heart of downtown Moncton makes it an important thoroughfare for high pedestrian and vehicle traffic. The CN Subway Revitalization will see over 200 new plants added to the site which will provide positive visual impact, maintain soil retention and increase pedestrian safety in the area.

"CN Ecoconnexions has been a wonderful program for communities from coast to coast to coast to beautify and enhance their civic spaces. Trees and shrubs planted under this program improve the environment and quality of life for residents and visitors alike" said Dan Hicks, Director of Parks & Leisure Operations for the City of Moncton.

A ceremonial tree planting and press conference will take place Saturday, September 8, 2018 at 9 a.m. on Foundry Street, next to the CN Subway.

The President of Tree Canada, Mike Rosen as well as Executive Vice-President, Corporate Services and Chief Legal Officer for CN, M. Sean Finn will be present for the unveiling the ceremonial tree and plaque.

Tree Canada Quote:

"Tree Canada is thrilled to be working with CN to enhance the tree canopies of so many deserving communities across Canada," said Michael Rosen, President of Tree Canada. "These trees we plant and nurture are a living legacy that will enrich our country, our communities and our homes for decades to come. These communities greened through *CN EcoConnexions* will be a lasting testament to CN's exemplary environmental leadership."

CN Quote

"CN remains committed to making a positive impact on the communities along our network, and are proud to be part of a program that helps to make these communities better places to live, work and play. We're not only helping beautify these communities, we're positively contributing to a sustainable future one community at a time, as planting trees improves air quality and offsets carbon emissions."

– Sean Finn, Executive Vice-President, Corporate Services and Chief Legal Officer for CN

About CN

CN is a true backbone of the economy whose team of more than 25,000 railroaders transports more than C\$250 billion worth of goods annually for a wide range of business sectors, ranging from resource products to manufactured products to consumer goods, across a rail network of approximately 20,000 route-miles spanning Canada and mid-America. CN – Canadian National Railway Company, along with its operating railway subsidiaries – serves the cities and ports of Vancouver, Prince Rupert, B.C., Montreal, Halifax, New Orleans, and Mobile, Ala., and the metropolitan areas of Toronto, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Calgary, Chicago, Memphis, Detroit, Duluth, Minn./Superior, Wis., and Jackson, Miss., with connections to all points in North America. For more information about CN, visit the company's website at www.cn.ca.

About Tree Canada

Tree Canada is a non-profit charity dedicated to improving the lives of Canadians by planting and nurturing trees. Since 1992, we've planted more than 80 million trees, greened more than 600 schoolyards, helped restore places hit by natural disasters and brought together urban forestry experts greening cities all across Canada. Get involved or learn more about us at treecanada.ca.

About CN EcoConnexions *From The Ground Up*

The CN EcoConnexions *From the Ground Up* program, sponsored by CN Rail in partnership with Tree Canada, will provide funding of up to \$25,000 for the greening of municipal and First Nations properties across Canada, especially in communities along its rail lines. For more information on the program, visit treecanada.ca/cn-ecoconnexions-from-the-ground-up

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