

Springing Back to Life in the Fall

For our readers who are well-versed in tree planting, you'll know that there are only two planting seasons in Canada: spring and fall. Planting in the summer runs the risk of newly planted trees baking in high heat and periods of drought and planting in the winter, well, many of us are frozen! It's no surprise then that fall can often be the busier of the two as the trees have even longer to establish their root systems before the inevitable high temperatures and low precipitation levels of summer. [Read more.](#)



Latest Updates

One day remaining!

Ready to dig in and help green local communities? Click [here](#) to register for the last planting events of the year!



Returning to our Roots – Trees for Life Partners with the Royal Canadian Air Force to Commemorate Its Centennial



Through the Trees for Heroes program, Trees for Life is proud to continue the tradition of building living tributes, started by the Highway of Heroes Tree Campaign. Now trees are planted for all kinds of heroes, and in 2024 we'll launch a special collaboration that continues to honour the brave men and women of our Armed Forces. April 1st, 2024, marks 100 years of service for the Royal Canadian Air Force as a distinct military element. [Read more.](#)

Edmonton Honours Health Workers

In collaboration with the City of Edmonton's Root for Trees program, TD Friends of the Environment and Covenant Health, Trees for Life hosted the largest-ever tree planting event honouring healthcare workers on October 5th. Volunteers from the organizations and the community joined local healthcare workers to plant more than 1,000 trees in Tawa Park. [Read more.](#)



A Touching Addition to Town's Cemeteries

For the 2nd consecutive year, Trees for Life and the Ontario Association of Cemetery and Funeral Professionals (OACFP) created a lasting green legacy for the community where the annual OACFP conference was held. This year, that community was Huntsville, ON. Through a partnership between Trees for Life, the OACFP, the Town of Huntsville, and with funding provided by Meridian Credit Union, 100 new trees were planted at three local cemeteries. These plantings are special because they are dedicated not only to the memories of the families that OACFP members have served over the year but also to local health heroes. [Read more.](#)

Community Tree Planting in Guelph

A HUGE thank you to all of you for the planting on Saturday, October 21st at Kortright Hills in Guelph. With the combined TD Tree Days, TFL, and Trees for Guelph volunteers, 600 native trees and shrubs were added to the City of Guelph's Kortright Hills tree canopy of the future. This was a fabulous collaborative event as families from Brampton, Milton, Oakville, Ajax, and even one family from California took part! [Read more.](#)



Richmond Hill and LEAF Honour Health Heroes

Also on October 21st, just north of Toronto, over 100 volunteers including over 20 from our corporate supporter Less Mess, gathered at Beaver Woodland in Richmond Hill to lend LEAF (Local Enhancement and Appreciation of Forests), a helping hand as they grow Richmond Hill's urban forest. [Read more.](#)

A Personal Best, almost!

Inspired by your generosity, Mike Hurley, TFL's Executive Director and sole runner for the Acorns this year, successfully completed the TCS Toronto Waterfront Marathon 5K on October 15th, just seconds shy of his best-ever time. Your generosity raised over \$2,800 in support of tree planting in the Toronto waterfront area near the race route including Tommy Thompson Park. These plantings are a part of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority's efforts to combat the impacts of climate change on this section of Lake Ontario shoreline. [Read more.](#)



Roots, Shoots & Branches



Get To Know Our Natives by Nature

Some interesting facts you may not know about the White Oak. An adaptable tree that will grow almost anywhere. White oak can live for hundreds of years. White Oak can be distinguished from the common Red Oak, by the leaves deep, rounded lobes compared to sharply toothed lobes. [Read more.](#)

TFL's Champions Program honours individuals who have shown unwavering support and generosity to TFL to help turn our dreams into reality, be it by providing major gifts, multi-year commitments, or helping to spread the word and grow our network of supporters. This is our way of showing them our gratitude.

Champions Spotlight: Corporal Nick Kerr



A Veteran Volunteer

Corporal Nick Kerr; son, friend, and military veteran, shares his story of allegiance, volunteerism, and healing through tree planting, and how he became a passionate supporter of Trees for Life.

How did you become a part of the Trees for Life family?

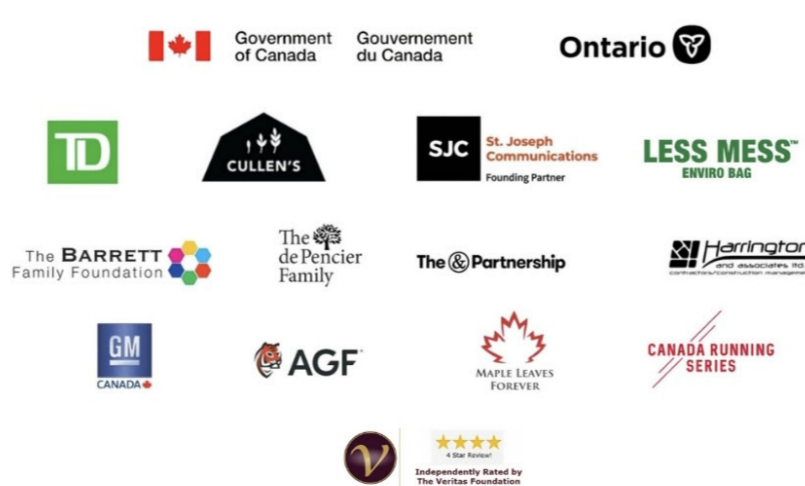
I caught the eye of Mark Cullen co-founder, and Mike Hurley, Executive Director of the Highway of Heroes Tree Campaign because I had been making multiple hours-long trips to over 15 tree-planting events in the early days of the campaign. [Read more.](#)

In appreciation of your Hero

We are grateful to those who have shared the stories of their heroes and loved ones. To share a story for publication, contact us today.

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