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## **Earth Day: The City of Vaudreuil-Dorion to plant 80 trees with the financial participation of Burnbrae Farms**

**Vaudreuil-Dorion, April 21, 2023** – In celebration of Earth Day, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion is pleased to announce that it will plant 80 trees with the financial participation of Burnbrae Farms, a company that has proudly cultivated farmland and supported the local community for over 50 years. A green space on rue Larivée, currently devoid of any vegetation, has been chosen as the ideal location for the project.

The 1,000-square-metre site, which will easily accommodate a plantation of this size, will also aid in the establishment of a wildlife corridor linking the Denis-Vinet stream and the green spaces that run alongside it up to the Vaudreuil Bay, including the wooded area surrounding Maison Félix-Leclerc. A variety of indigenous trees will be selected by the Public Works Department and planted in the fall.

"Every year, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion plants around 600 trees in parks, public places and road easements. Burnbrae Farms approached us due to our expertise, and their financial contribution will serve to complement our annual planting and create a small urban forest in the rue Larivée area," said Tommy Thibault, Director of Public Works.

François Lafond, General Manager of Burnbrae Farms in Saint-Zotique, adds: "Our company is committed to being involved in its community. We have a number of projects underway to give back to communities across Canada. This will be our first initiative in Vaudreuil-Soulanges. I would like to thank the representatives of the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion for welcoming our proposal." The company will invest \$10,000 over two years for the tree planting on rue Larivée.

### **Tree planting subsidies**

Citizens are able to benefit from subsidies toward the purchase of trees through the programs *Une naissance, un arbre* and *Verdissons Vaudreuil-Dorion*. Under the first program, upon the birth or adoption of a child, Vaudreuil-Dorion residents can claim up to \$100 toward the purchase of a tree. *Verdissons Vaudreuil-Dorion*, on its part, will also reimburse up to \$100 toward the purchase of each tree for a maximum of three trees, per address, per year. Some criteria apply pertaining to species of trees for example. These may be viewed on the City's website at [ville.vaudreuil-dorion.qc.ca](http://ville.vaudreuil-dorion.qc.ca).