



## Activities and Plantings are on the Schedule for Tree Appreciation Day

Date: Friday, November 1, 2019

For Immediate Release

VICTORIA, BC — On Sunday, November 3 the City of Victoria will celebrate Tree Appreciation Day with plantings and activities in Beacon Hill Park. Media and the public are invited join in some fun learning and planting activities at the Cameron Bandshell, Beacon Hill Park between 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Join staff to plant Garry Oaks and small trees and shrubs. Activity stations will include an “Ask an Arborist” table for questions about tree care and tree identification, a children’s art station, and a tree banding demonstration. City arborists will lead tree tours through the park’s natural areas at 11 a.m. and noon. Tours will leave from the Cameron Bandshell and will be led on pathways and flat lawn areas and will not include stairs.

### PHOTO OPPORTUNITY:

**What:** Tree Appreciation Day Kick-Off and Ceremonial Tree Planting  
**Who:** Join representatives from the City and members of the community for a ceremonial tree planting, followed by plantings in other areas  
**When:** Sunday, November 3, 10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  
**Where:** Cameron Bandshell, Beacon Hill Park

Tree Appreciation Day is an annual event in Victoria, usually the first Sunday in November, that recognizes the importance of trees in the urban environment. The City manages an urban forest of approximately 33,000 trees on 300 kilometres of boulevards and in 137 parks and open spaces. The City’s Urban Forest Master Plan encourages opportunities for community members to participate in tree plantings.

Victoria is the first city in Canada to join the *Trees in Cities Challenge*. As part of this global campaign, the City of Victoria will work with the community to plant 5,000 trees on public and private land by the end of 2020.

Parking is available along Douglas Street just northwest of Circle Drive and in Beacon Hill Park near the petting zoo. The event will be held rain or shine and warm refreshments will be served.

For more information: [www.victoria.ca/parks](http://www.victoria.ca/parks)

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