

NEWS RELEASE

CANADA LANDS COMPANY SUPPORTS TREE PLANTING

RIDEAU WATERSHED, January 23, 2012 — Canada Lands Company (CLC) has made a very significant donation of \$5,000 to the Rideau Valley Conservation Foundation's (RVCF) tree planting program. This gift will finance the growing, transporting, planting and tending of about 2,500 new vigorous, native Canadian trees throughout the valley of the Rideau River in the spring of 2012.

RVCF and our planting partners have planted over four million trees in the Ottawa area since 1982. "We are proud of our past and look forward to future plantings with corporate partners like Canada Lands Company", said Foundation Chair Jason Kelly. "We are delighted to work with Canada Lands Company again to help make the Rideau Valley one of the greenest watersheds in Ontario. Their gift of trees is really a gift to our entire watershed community."

"We are pleased to contribute to RVCF's tree planting program and support an organization that shares similar values to those of CLC, such as the desire to create more livable communities and build lasting legacies", said Norm Jarus, CLC General Manager of Real Estate for Ontario and Atlantic Canada.

Planting trees is one of the most environmentally friendly activities people can do. Each new tree seedling is like a little environmental cleaning station. The rootlets hold the soil and help prevent erosion; the wood of the tree absorbs and captures carbon from the air reducing the effect of greenhouse gas; the leaves produce life-giving oxygen; the roots absorb huge amounts of fertilizers and pollutants that would otherwise end up in our local creeks and streams; the maturing trees buffer people against wind and noise; the emerging new forest provides habitat for plants and animals; and eventually, the trees will produce wood products for use in construction, heating, furniture and paper-making. And the new trees will go on providing these huge community benefits for up to 80 years free of charge!

Canada Lands Company is an arm's length, self-financing federal Crown corporation. The company purchases federal properties at fair market value, and then improves and sells them to optimize their financial and community value. It also owns and manages select properties such as the CN Tower in Toronto.

Two well-known CLC properties in Ottawa are 800 Montreal Road (across from the Montfort Hospital) and the former Canadian Forces Base Rockcliffe. Their website is www.clc.ca.

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