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City of Mississauga 300 City Centre Drive Mississauga, ON L5B 3C1

Dear Sir or Madam

CVC is interested in submitting funding proposals to the <u>Green Municipal Fund (GMF) for</u> <u>Growing Canada's Community Canopies</u> funding (intakes in July and October 2024) to facilitate tree planting in the City of Mississauga. These projects directly align with the GMF's objectives and our mission to protect and restore the Credit River Watershed through science, education and action.

- 1. <u>Community Stewardship Tree Planting Project</u>: This project will increase tree planting across the Credit River Watershed and connect communities with nature to strengthen their ability to offset the effects of climate change. It will involve a series of community tree plantings on municipal land to naturalize parks and open spaces and establish urban woodlands. Priority areas for enhancement include riparian zones, buffers, turf conversion, and open spaces. Planting sites are based on their significance in the Natural Heritage System (NHS) and their alignment with municipal climate action plans.
- 2. <u>Urban Home Tree Planting Project</u>: We will grow the urban tree canopy, cool our communities and create healthier, more livable towns and cities by planting trees on home properties with willing homeowners. Participants will learn the role trees play in mitigating the effects of climate change and gain skills to care for their new trees.

We understand that there may be parallel proposals from our municipal partners. In the spirit of collaboration, we encourage your staff to connect with our CVC program contacts for more information and to address any concerns about potential overlap in our efforts.

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Urban Home Tree Planting Project, Melanie Kramer: <u>melanie.kramer@cvc.ca</u>

Forestry Rural Tree Planting Project, Aaron Day: <u>aaron.day@cvc.ca</u> Thank you in advance,

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