

# WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT EARTH DAY

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As April 22 marks the 51st anniversary of Earth Day, the town's official celebration will look different from previous years due to the ongoing pandemic.

"There are many ways we can recognize Earth Week and the importance of preserving Halton Hills' natural assets," Mayor Rick Bonnette said.

"I encourage everyone to visit the town's website and learn about our many programs and initiatives to reduce our community carbon footprint and address

climate change."

Here's what you need to know:

## PURCHASE TREES ONLINE

The town's new online platform will be available from April 20 to April 30. The town is offering a selection of 10 native tree species available to Halton Hills residents only. Each sapling is available for \$5, with a limit of five trees per person. The platform will also allow for donations to local food banks.

Pickup for trees will take place between May 3 and May 7, at the Robert C. Austin Operations Centre (11620 Trafalgar Rd.) Public health guidelines will be in place

during pickup. Purchases can be made at [earthdaytreesale.ca](http://earthdaytreesale.ca).

**CREDIT VALLEY CONSERVATION WEBINARS** — Two free webinars are being offered to celebrate Earth Day sharing tips on green yards.

One webinar, *Naturescaping: Greening Your Yard*, is open to everyone but residents in the Hungry Hollow SNAP area can request a free tree or shrub.

**CLIMATE CHANGE EXHIBIT AT THE HELSON GALLERY** — On until April 24: the Helson Gallery's climate change exhibition featuring a number of artists across several mediums including photography, painting, and print-making.

A maximum of five people are

allowed in the gallery at any time, masks and physical distancing are mandatory. The gallery is open Thursday to Saturday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

**RETROFIT HALTON HILLS** — A recent initiative by the Town of Halton Hills is the Retrofit Halton Hills program, aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the residential sector. Homeowners are asked to complete a brief survey regarding energy use in the home.

**EARTH WEEK WITH THE HALTON HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY** — The library has a number of events and activities for Earth Week including grab and go kits, the seed library, and a lecture on *Exploring the Birds of Ontario*. The full list of HHPL Earth Week resources is available at [hhpl.on.ca](http://hhpl.on.ca).



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There are plenty of upcoming Earth Day events to partake in around Georgetown.

# LOCAL RESIDENTS WIN BIG IN PRINCESS MARGARET LOTTERY

Two Halton residents are among a very lucky few who won new luxury homes and cash in the Princess Margaret Cancer Foundation spring lottery.

Philip Shea of Georgetown took the \$7 million grand prize, which includes a show home in King City, Muskoka lakefront cottage and \$500,000 cash.

Meanwhile, Burlington's Anne Marie Sovari won the \$2.6-million grand prize consisting of a Toronto show home and \$100,000 cash.

The net income from the lottery programs is made available in research grants to the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre.

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