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TREES MIDDLESEX CENTRE

WHO WE ARE:

The Poplar Hill Lions is continuing the annual sale of roadside trees that was started by *Trees Middlesex Centre* in 2011.

WHAT WE ARE OFFERING:

The objective is to encourage the planting of native deciduous species along the roads of Middlesex Centre. By ordering in bulk and applying for grants from Middlesex Centre to subsidize the cost, we can provide trees to residents at a significant discount.

WHY WE ARE DOING IT:

Trees planted along the roads over 100 years ago have provided shade, windbreaks, have been homes to wildlife, enhance the environment and add scenic appeal to the community. These trees have reached the end of their lifespan and most have been removed. New trees are now needed to replace them.

HOW IT IS DONE:

Trees are ordered by mid November and are distributed when they are ready in the spring. Pre-paid trees can be picked up at the Poplar Hill Park along with planting instructions. The cost this year is \$30 per tree. Stakes and tree guards are also available for wind and rodent protection. These bare-root trees are generally 6-8 ft. and should be planted on private property, not on the municipal right-of-way. Full planting instructions can be downloaded from phlions.ca/pdf/Tree_Care.pdf

HOW YOU BENEFIT:

This is a great opportunity for residents of Middlesex Centre to beautify their properties and replace the old trees that must be removed. Ideally, trees should be planted along the roadside on private property just off the municipal right-of-way (33 feet from the centreline of concession roads) but any location that can clearly be seen from the road is acceptable. Locations such as corners where they can block the view should be avoided.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE:

We will be offering the following species. Order early as there may be a limited supply of some varieties.

Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>
Sugar Maple	<i>Acer saccharum</i>
Autumn Blaze Maple	<i>Acer x freemanii</i>
Red Oak	<i>Quercus ruba</i>
American Sycamore	<i>Platanus occidentalis</i>

HOW TO ORDER:

Residents of Middlesex Centre should email their requests to: trees@phlions.ca Include your name, address and phone number as well as the number of trees of the varieties you want. Confirmation and instructions for payment will be sent to you. If you have a problem, speak to Lion Ian MacDonald 519-666-0195 (evenings best).

Order by November 15, earlier to ensure you get the variety you want.

While some trees are slow growing (e.g., oaks), others can gain two feet or more per year (e.g., sycamore).

Sycamore trees:
When planted - 8'
After 5 years - 28'
After 10 years - 39'

