

## **Invitation to Municipalities**

### What is The Year of the Garden 2022?

The Year of the Garden 2022 is the Centennial Celebration of Canada's horticulture sector marked with the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association. From January 1 to December 31, 2022, we will commemorate and celebrate Canada's rich garden heritage, celebrate today's vibrant garden culture, and create legacies for a sustainable future.

Planning is underway for a year of exciting activities, celebrations, special events and promotions that will take place in communities, schools, businesses, public gardens, and backyard gardens in all parts of Canada.

# Join the Celebration and Proclaim 2022 as the Year of the Garden in Your Municipality

Join *Canada's Garden-Family* – thousands of plant growers, product manufacturers, retailers, landscape service providers, public gardens and garden experience providers, garden clubs and societies, and affiliated businesses – which will be sharing their knowledge and offering events to help Canadians **Live the Garden Life**.

The **Year of the Garden 2022** is a unique opportunity for your municipality to highlight and have a positive impact on priorities, such as:

- Post COVID Recovery
- Quality of Life
- Healthy Citizens
- Environmental Climate Action
- Economic Growth
- Enhance Cultural Vibrancy
- Reconciliation and Inclusivity
- Garden Tourism Destination positioning

#### **Presented on Municipal letterhead**

## Year of the Garden 2022 PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the Year of the Garden 2022 celebrates the Centennial of Canada's horticulture

sector;

WHEREAS gardens and gardening contribute to the quality of life of our municipality and

create safe and healthy places where people can come together;

WHEREAS the Year of the Garden 2022 will highlight and celebrate the important

contribution of gardeners, our local gardening organizations, horticultural professionals and local horticultural businesses which contribute to garden

culture and the experience garden of our municipality;

WHEREAS gardens and gardening have helped us face the challenges of the COVID

pandemic;

WHEREAS Communities in Bloom in collaboration with the Canadian Garden Council,

invites all municipalities to celebrate the Year of the Garden;

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT (add name of municipality) HEREBY PROCLAIMS 2022 as the Year of the Garden

in celebration of the contribution of gardens and gardening to the development of our country, our municipality and the lives of our citizens in terms of health,

quality of life and environmental challenges; and

THAT the Saturday before Father's Day, June 18 in 2022, be recognize as Garden Day in

(add name of municipality) as a legacy of Canada's Year of the Garden 2022; and

THAT (insert name of Municipality) is committed to be a Garden Friendly City

supporting the development of its garden culture and is proud to have:

(name at least two city initiatives that support the garden culture of your city and the spirit of the Year of the Garden); and

THAT all municipalities across Canada BE INVITED to proclaim 2022 to be the *Year of* 

the Garden in their respective municipalities, and that a copy of this resolution

be provided to the FCM, and for that purpose.

DATED AT CITY HALL, (the xx day of (add month), 2021 or 2022

(insert Mayor's name), Mayor

June 18, 2022 is Garden Day. DDHS would like to suggest that the municipality of West Grey fly the 'Year of the Garden' flag, at the municipal office, for some or all of the month of June. In conjunction with this gesture DDHS would propose a 'learning day' at the Community Gardens on June 18, a 'lawn and garden' water conservation information link on the West Grey website and a community wide nomination for a 'Germinating' (new) and 'Mature' (experienced) Garden Hero.

More information is available at: https://livethegardenlife.gardenscanada.ca