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OASIS FOREST PROGRAM

Restoring Neighbourhood Ecosystems—
One Block at a Time

What Is the Oasis Forest Program?

The **Oasis Forest Program** is a science based approach to restoring local ecosystems beneath and around mature trees—where lawns, compaction, and runoff have weakened ecological function over decades.

By focusing on understory planting, soil health, and neighbour to neighbour coordination, Oasis Forest helps homeowners work together to regenerate habitat, improve stormwater performance, and strengthen the long term resilience of their neighbourhoods.

Why Understory Matters

Monument Trees depend on healthy understory systems to thrive. When the ground layer is restored:

- Trees live longer and withstand stress better
- Rainwater infiltrates instead of running off
- Native plants support pollinators and birds
- Maintenance costs decrease over time
- Neighbourhoods become cooler, greener, and more resilient

Understory restoration is one of the most effective forms of ecological repair in urban neighbourhoods.

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The Oasis Forest Program combines Education, Ecological Research, and Professional Design

1. Education & Engagement

A portion of the program is devoted to public education—through talks, workshops, and neighbourhood information sessions—to help communities better understand:

- How urban ecosystems function
- Why collaboration across properties matters
- What restoration looks like on a neighbourhood scale

Education builds shared understanding and sets the foundation for meaningful action.

2. Site Specific Ecological Design (Professional Service)

Each property—and each block—requires tailored analysis. Professional services may include:

- Tree, soil, shade, and drainage assessment
- Custom understory plant palettes
- Contemporary stormwater design
- Phased restoration strategies
- Coordination across neighbouring properties

This work translates our ecological research into practical, site specific solutions.

3. Block Level Restoration

When neighbours participate together:

- Ecosystems recover faster
- Costs are shared and reduced
- Results are more visible and lasting

One lead homeowner often initiates the process, with neighbours opting in at their own pace.

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Cultivating Resilient Neighbourhoods
from the Ground Up

How the Program Works

Why Oasis Forest

- Grounded in Monument Tree understory planting research
- Designed for urban constraints
- Focused on long term function
- Built around collaboration

Our goal is to create living systems that work

Who It's For

- Homeowners with mature trees
- Streets experiencing flooding, erosion, or declining canopy health
- Neighbourhoods interested in collective stewardship
- Environmental clubs, community groups, and conservation minded residents

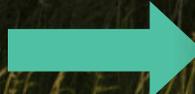
Next Steps

Interested homeowners can begin with:

- A neighbourhood information session
- A site or block level ecological assessment
- A phased understory restoration plan



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