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## **300 Trees Planted by District 6400 Rotarians**

Tecumseh – Rotarians from both sides of the border gathered today along the Rotary (1918) Centennial Hub to plant 300 trees. This event was hosted by Rotary District 6400 in partnership with Essex Region Conservation. Rotary District 6400 consists of approximately 1600 volunteers from Southwestern Ontario and Southeast Michigan. Rotary is the world's largest service organization, and this year's International President, Ian Riseley, has encouraged every Rotarian to plant a tree to make a difference in this world.

"I am so delighted with the partnerships Rotarians and Rotary clubs have made throughout the District to be sure that our tree planting events will have a significant environmental impact," said Rick Caron, District Governor. "Our partnership in Windsor-Essex with ERCA has led to this planting along the Rotary Club of Windsor (1918) Centennial Hub, also built in partnership with ERCA. And, this partnership has sparked new plans for future joint tree planting, hopefully leading to the creation of a Rotary Forest."

The Rotary Club of Windsor (1918) Centennial Hub is a 3 kilometre trail which connects the Herb Gray Parkway trails, the Town of Tecumseh, the Town of LaSalle and the Chrysler Canada Greenway. The club made the lead donation to create this trail connection in celebration of their century of service to our community. Legacy projects chairperson Janet Kelly said, "In searching for legacy projects that would reflect our Club's 100 year commitment of service to this community, we selected this as one of our projects and are proud to be a part of this initiative, actively participating in the creation and endorsement of a healthy and vibrant Windsor/Essex County."

Following the tree planting, guests gathered at the Rotary (1918) Centennial Hub for its dedication. "On behalf of the entire Windsor-Essex community that can now walk, run or cycle from Windsor to Amherstburg to Learnington, we are so incredibly grateful that the Rotary Club of Windsor (1918) has chosen this project as one of their legacy gifts," said Claire Wales, Vice President of the Essex Region Conservation Foundation. "Trails connect us with nature and with each other, and are key to making our region the Place for Life."

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