## Gleneagles Community Association Adopt an Island Application

## Background:

Do you live near one of the islands in GlenEagles East? Are you tired of looking out of your windows onto dried brown grass and dandelions?

After 3 or more years with no irrigation, increasingly warm, dry summers and water shortages, it is time to transition the islands in GlenEagles East and West to more drought resistant, sustainable landscaping options. In order to do so, the GlenEagles Community Association has put together an "Adopt an Island" program to expedite these changes.

If you and your neighbours would like to adopt an island, start by:

- meeting to discuss the changes that you would like to see (GECA will provide you with money for snacks and drinks)
- designing what your island will look like using the pre-approved shrubs, perennials, grasses, and ground covers included in this application
- submitting a drawing showing the plan for the island
- committing to watering the new plants and ground covers for the first two to three years.
This involves watering the new plants a minimum of once a week for approximately $\mathbf{3 0}$ minutes each time. Our horticulturalist will provide guidance/training assistance.
- completing this online application showing the number and cost per item of each of the plants/ground covers

Please check this box if you want GECA's horticulturalist to consult with you on the design


## The GlenEagles Community Association will support you by:

- reviewing all applications with our horticulturalist and working with the ToC to approve applications using the pre-approved options within 10 business days
- providing "island groups" with $\$ 20$ per person to a maximum of $\$ 240.00$ to cover the cost of snacks and beverages while you meet to develop your plan
- arranging for a horticulturalist to work with you on the design if you request help
- paying for the materials e.g. plants and ground covers up to:
- $\$ 3,500$ for small to mid-size islands ( $\# 6,9,10$, and 14 on the landscaping map)
- $\$ 5,500$ for large islands (\#13, 15, and 18 on the landscaping maps)

Amounts in excess of this may be approved on an exception basis

- assigning and paying one of our landscaping contractors to work with you to prepare/enlarge shrub/perennial beds and plant as per your design
- providing residents with a water meter to measure how much water they use on the islands and reimbursing them on a monthly basis+A19
- being available to discuss problems/resolve issues by contacting us at info@geca.ca

| Name(s) of Applicant(s): | Date: |
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| Contact Emails: | Contact Phone \#'s |
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Names of Other neighbours who were consulted:



## Tell us what ornamental grasses you would like to plant:

Choose from the following list of pre-approved hardy, drought resistant ornamental grasses. In particular, you may want to focus on native species as they support our local pollinators and provide essential habitant and food sources.

| Native Ornamental Grasses | Est. Cost Each | Number | Total Estimated Cost |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Elymus canadensis - Canadian Wild Rye, Zone 3, Partial/Full Sun |  |  | \$ - |
| Schizachyrium scoparium - Little Bluestern, Zone 3, Full Sun |  |  | \$ - |
| Festuca saximontana - Rocky Mountain Fescue, Zone 3, Full Sun |  |  | \$ - |
| Schizachne purpurascens - Flase Melic Grass/Purple Oat Grass, Partial/Full Sun |  |  | \$ - |
| Deschampsia caespitosa - Tufted Hairgrass, Zone 3, Partial Shade |  |  | \$ - |
| Bouteloua gracilis - Blue Grama, Zone 3, Full Sun |  |  | \$ - |
| *Bouteloua curtipendula - Sideoats Grama, Zone 3, Full Sun |  |  | \$ - |
| Achnatherum richardsonii - Richardson's Needlegrass, Zone 3, Partial/Full Sun |  |  | \$ - |
| Trisetum spicatum - Spike Tristern, Zone 3, Partial/Full Sun |  |  | \$ - |
| Koeleria macrantha - Junegrass, Zone 3, Full Sun |  |  | \$ - |
|  |  | Sub-Total | \$ |
| Non-Native Ornamental Grasses | Est. Cost Each | Number | Total Estimated Cost |


| Calamagrostis x acutiflora - "Karl Foerster", Zone 3 Feather Reed Grass, <br> Partial/Full Sun |  |  |
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| Panicum virgatum "Prairie Fire" Prairie Fire Switchgrass, Zone 3, Full Sun |  |  |
| Sporobolus heterolepis - Prairie Dropseed, Zone 3, Partial/Full Sun |  |  |
| Sorghastrum nutans - Yellow Prairie Grass, Zone 2, Full Sun |  | - |
| Festuca ovina - Sheep Fescue, Zone 3, Partial/Full Sun |  | - |
| Helictotrichon sempervirens - Blue Oat Grass, Zone 3, Partial/Full |  | - |
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Tell us what groundcovers you want to use:
If you want to maintain some green, consider overseeding the existing grass with micro-clover or fescues. Shrub and perennial beds will require mulch.


