



GIFTS FOR PARKS

CIVIC SUPPORT PROGRAM

Bench Donation Application Form - Public Gardens

HALIFAX

The Halifax Public Gardens are one of the finest surviving examples of a Victorian Garden in North America. Started on Common land in 1836 these gardens have been accessible and enjoyed by the community for decades. Richard Power, the Garden's superintendent from 1872–1915, oversaw the introduction of the bandstand, the fountains, statues, and wrought iron gates – all features of the High Victorian Pleasure Garden and all honouring a milestone in Queen Victoria's reign, a contemporary military event, or an important local personage. Recognized as a National Historic Site in 1984, the Halifax Public Gardens are a much loved and popular destination for locals and visitors alike.

You, too, can now continue to contribute to this fine community legacy. The bench donation program provides individuals and organizations the opportunity to commemorate a person, place or event. Your gift will help maintain or replace the traditional park benches within the Public Garden and improve the community's livability.

For a donation of \$2,000, the bench program at the Public Garden maintains a bench in honor of the recipient for a period of 10 years with the option to renew. The plaque will be similar to the image below with the donor information in black on a brasscoloured background. The donor will receive an official tax receipt for their gift.



BENCH DONATION APPLICATION FORM – PUBLIC GARDENS

Thank you for your interest in the Public Gardens Gifts for Parks Bench Program, the process of donation is outlined below:

FILL OUT THE DONOR CONTACT INFORMATION BELOW

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____ Civic Address: _____

Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Plaque Wording (Limit of 120 characters) – please note plaque style and font are standardized and text is subject to approval by Halifax Regional Municipality.

For questions regarding the program and payment methods contact:

Liana Parsons, 902-490-3986 or e-mail parsonli@halifax.ca

An official tax receipt will be made in the name of the person making the donation unless a letter is provided, at the time of payment, indicating the individual donor names, addresses, and amounts.

A representative from the Public Gardens will be assigned to work with you to determine the best location for your plaque.

DONOR CONTRACT – PUBLIC GARDENS

Thank you! Your generous donation will contribute to the public enjoyment of the Halifax Public Gardens. The fine print, there are just a few stipulations Halifax Regional Municipality needs to outline:

- The bench remains the property of the Halifax Regional Municipality at all times and the location of the bench is at Halifax Regional Municipality’s discretion.
- Donor identity is kept on public record.
- All benches are maintained in good order by Halifax Regional Municipality. This maintenance includes clear of soot, clean and clearly legible lettering on the donor plaque, wood and cast iron unbroken.
- After ten (10) years the donor will be given the first right of refusal for renewal. This offer of renewal will be issued 3 months before the expiry of the current contract.
- The donation is tax deductible and an official tax receipt will be issued to the donor by Halifax Regional Municipality.
- Placement of wreaths, flowers or other items or any modification to the bench or plaque will not be permitted.

I have read and consent to all the above noted policies of the Gifts for Parks

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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