



**CP SCOOP – April 28th, 2021**

## **MUNICIPAL UPDATES**

**Bare Root Tree Program** - Reminder for residents who have ordered a bare root tree: residents cannot collect their trees until payment is made. Payment for your trees can be made in the following ways:

- Residents can pay by credit card by calling Reception at 613-257-6200 (credit card payments are subject to a 3% surcharge).
- Residents can place cheque or cash in a sealed envelope (with all your contact information clearly marked on the envelope) in the secure drop box located at the Fire Hall – 15 Coleman Street.

Trees must be collected from the Carleton Place Nursery by no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>. Uncollected trees will be considered a donation and will be planted on Town property.



**National Day of Mourning** - The flag at Sinclair Square has been lowered to half-mast to acknowledge today, April 28th, 2021 as the National Day of Mourning in Canada, a day that commemorates workers who have been killed, injured or suffered illness due to workplace-related hazards and occupational exposures. It is also a day to collectively renew our commitment to improve health and safety in the workplace and prevent further injuries, illnesses and deaths.

## **FEDERAL UPDATES**

**Record Number of Canada Summer Jobs Now Available for Young Canadians** - Today, the Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion, Carla Qualtrough, announced that more than 150,000 Canada Summer Jobs opportunities are now available at [jobbank.gc.ca/youth](http://jobbank.gc.ca/youth). There, young Canadians can look for and apply for jobs in a wide variety of fields, including community and charity work, food industries, recreation and fitness, marketing and public relations, landscaping and farm labour, and many others.

## **PROVINCIAL UPDATES**

**Ontario Maximizing Critical Care Capacity to Support Hospitals - New Emergency Measure Ensures Patients Receive High-Quality Care in the Right Setting** - In response to the recent and rapid rise in hospitalizations, ICU admissions and the threat to the province's critical care capacity,

the Ontario government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, is taking further action to ensure hospital beds are available for COVID-19 patients in need of urgent care. To do so, the province is amending O. Reg. 272/21 under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA) to ensure patients receive quality care in the most appropriate setting during the third wave of the pandemic, driven by variants of concern.

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**[Ontario Helps Train More Personal Support Workers](#) - Financial assistance available for students enrolled at Private Career Colleges and School Boards** - The Ontario government is providing \$86 million to help train up to 8,000 personal support workers (PSWs) through private career colleges and district school boards. This investment is part of the government's [Long-Term Care Staffing Plan](#) and is yet another way the province is collaborating with key partners to improve the care and quality of life of people living in long-term care.

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**[Ontario Introduces Legislation to Strengthen Health Workforce Accountability and Enhance Data-Driven COVID-19 Response](#) - Proposed Bill would Support High-Quality, Patient-Centred Care** - Today, the Ontario government introduced legislation that, if passed, will help strengthen Ontario's health care workforce and support the delivery of high-quality care by regulating personal support workers, physician assistants and behaviour analysts. This legislation would also enhance the province's response to the COVID-19 pandemic by promoting the timely reporting of COVID-19 vaccine data to the Ministry of Health. The proposed legislation is part of the government's commitment to build a more connected, patient-centred health care system.