

# NEWS

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## Hamilton Parks Go Greener

Thanks to the Hamilton Industrial Environmental Association (HIEA), residents of Hamilton will have a bit more shade this summer.

HIEA has provided the City of Hamilton with funds to plant a total of 32 large caliper trees in three separate locations. A variety of species including Maples, Serviceberry, Hackberry and Kentucky Coffeetree have been planted. On Friday May 15 city staff planted 6 trees at Steeles Park, 10 at Andrew Warburton Park and 16 at Lake Avenue School.

Over the past 8 years, HIEA has contributed more than \$120,000 to green belting initiatives across Hamilton's northeast corridor.

"HIEA selected these locations to be the focus of our annual tree planting program in 2009. This is one of many local environmental initiatives that HIEA supports each year," said Jim Stirling, Board Chair of the Hamilton Industrial Environmental Association.

"HIEA has been very supportive of community environmental initiatives and this is just one example of their great work," said Pat Thiessen, Co-Chair of HIEA's Community Advisory Panel and Homeside Community Representative. "The trees will provide neighbourhood children with shade in the summer, beautify the area and will have numerous environmental benefits for the local community."

*The Hamilton Industrial Environmental Association (HIEA), is a non-profit association whose members represent local private sector industries. HIEA member companies are committed to reducing their environmental footprint and by working in partnership with residents and community associations to promote environmental awareness.*

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