## Yes!

I would like to register my child for the Strathmore Birth Forest

Last Name:		
First Name:		
Middle Name:		
Date of Birth:		
(Year)	(Month)	(Day)
(Grand)Parent Contact Information:		
Last Name:		
First Name:		
Address:		
Phone:		
Date		

This personal information is collected under the authority of the Town of Strathmore and the Town has approved the Birth Forest initiative. Data will be managed in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. This information will be used only to carry out the Birth Forest program.

For more information, please contact:

Communities in Bloom

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# Birth Forest





A joint project with:







The Strathmore Communities-In-Bloom Committee, connectFirst Credit Union, Eagle Lake Nurseries and the Town of Strathmore are proud to be partners in the Birth Forest project.

#### What is the Birth Forest?

The Birth Forest is an initiative to plant 45 new trees each year to commemorate all newborn children in Strathmore who are registered with the program. The program is strictly on a volunteer registration basis, and at no cost to the family. The cost of the planting of trees and the subsequent maintenance costs are covered by the project partners.

#### Where is the Birth Forest?

The inaugural location for the Birth Forest project was started in 2008 in Parkwood along Green Meadow Drive and this has now been completed after multiple annual phases. The 2nd location for phases of the Birth Forest has been selected along the north side of Centennial Drive, between Centre St. and Thomas Drive. Future phases will be located on other public (Town-owned) lands throughout the Town.

## **Grow Together.**

Trees will be planted in late spring each year to honour and recognize new births but trees will not be assigned individually! All Birth Forest trees will be accessible for everyone to enjoy.

#### Registration

The registrations will be collected throughout the year. To register your newborn for the Birth Forest, please complete the attached Registration Form and return to the Town. There is no cost for registering newborns.

### **Registry Maintenance**

The Town of Strathmore maintains a Registry of the children registered in the connectFirst Credit Union Birth Forest. Families of registered children will be notified for special planting and other celebrations at the Birth Forest.

# Why are Trees Important?

Along with celebrating the birth of Strathmore children, these trees will help increase the tree inventory in the Town of Strathmore. This in turn will help remove pollutants from the air and beautify the Town for decades to come. One acre of trees will store 2.6 tons of carbon every year and produce enough oxygen for 18 people each day. In 2017, the Birth Forest project began to include a series of fruit trees and shrubs.

Birth Forest Registration c/o Town of Strathmore Communities in Bloom 680 Westchester Road Strathmore, AB. Return to: