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## SKAGWAY FRUIT & NUT TREE PLANTING INITIATIVE - 2016 APPLICATION FORM -

Application is due by Friday, May 27, 2016.  
Trees must be planted by Friday, June 10, 2016.

**The purpose of this initiative is to strengthen the local food system by subsidizing the planting of fruit and/or nut trees within the Borough of Skagway.**

Subsidies will be granted to qualifying applicants for the planting of new fruit or nut trees. The subsidy will be \$20 per tree. A limit for the subsidy is set at five (5) fruit or nut trees per 5,000 sq. ft. of property owned, five (5) trees per applicant, per year, and fifteen (15) trees per household total. A list of recommended varieties that are suitable to our region will be made available (see **Tree Planting Information Guide**).

Organic gardening methods are highly encouraged.

### **Eligibility:**

To be eligible, you must be a resident who planted at least one, climate appropriate, fruit or nut tree.

### **Other conditions of eligibility:**

- This application is due by Friday, May 27, 2016.
- **The trees must be planted by Friday, June 10, 2016.**
- The trees must originate from a nursery and be disease-free.
- Applicant must be able to provide proof of purchase and/or receipts.
- Only one applicant, per household.
- Businesses are not eligible for the subsidy.
- Potted trees that can be easily relocated are not eligible.
- Applicants, and their corresponding households are not eligible for more than five (5) trees in a year.
- Only a total of fifteen (15) trees will be subsidized per household on the property they own within the borough. This rule shall apply for the entire duration that the initiative is enacted or renewed.
- Previously established trees or trees that have already garnered a compensation do not qualify for compensation, nor will newly planted trees that are replacing failed trees (that have already received previous compensation).
- If the applicant is not the owner of the property that the tree is intended for, they must show permission to plant the tree(s).
- The applicant must consent to have someone from the Borough or a Borough-appointed official to come inspect the newly planted tree(s).
- The applicant acknowledges and agrees that application does not guarantee any subsidy. The Municipality of Skagway may refuse any and all applications.
- **The applicant (and owner of property, if not the applicant) acknowledges and agrees** that in consideration for participation in this Initiative, **the applicant**, on behalf of themselves and their executors, administrators and personal representatives, **does waive, release and forever discharge the Municipality of Skagway**, all assembly members, directors, volunteers, managers, agents, consultants, contractors, representatives, attorneys, insurers, and employees **from and against any and all liability** and all claims, actions, causes of action, costs, expenses, demands of any damage,



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loss, death or injury to their person or property arising out of or in connection with the application or participation with this Initiative.

- **The applicant (and owner of the property, if not the applicant) acknowledges and agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Municipality of Skagway**, all assembly members, directors, volunteers, managers, agents, consultants, contractors, representatives, attorneys, insurers, and employees in any action, brought by any person, arising out of any injury or damage, death or other loss claimed to be caused in whole or in part, by the applicant's conduct in the course of participating in this Initiative.

### **Evaluation:**

At some point after June 10th, during the year of application, a Borough-appointed representative will come to inspect the trees detailed in the application. Eligibility will be determined and a subsidy amount calculated from this inspection.

### **How to apply:**

- 1) Investigate climate appropriate tree(s) (see Fruit & Nut Tree Planting Guide), and make a tree-layout plan for your property. Acquire your tree(s); be sure to keep a purchase receipt.
- 2) Fill out this application and submit it to the Borough Clerk before the May 27th application deadline.
- 3) Plant your tree(s) before June 10th.
- 4) Expect an inspection to determine eligibility sometime after June 10th. You will be notified by email (or phone if no email is listed) before the inspection. Subsidies will be calculated from this inspection.
- 5) Continue to tend to your tree(s) and enjoy the harvest when the tree(s) reaches maturity.
- 6) The subsidies will be distributed by late June/ early July.



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**TREES**

Newly planted, climate appropriate, fruit or nut trees are eligible for a one (1) time subsidy.  
Berries and brambles **do not** count as trees.

<sup>1</sup>Name of Applicant:

<sup>2</sup>Phone:

<sup>3</sup>Physical location of property where trees are planted (**use detail**):

<sup>4</sup>Lot #:

<sup>5</sup>Mailing Address:

<sup>6</sup>Email:

<sup>7</sup>Have you applied for this program before? Yes  No  What year(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>8</sup>Are you the owner of the property where the trees are planted? Yes  No

If "No," you **must** provide, with your application, proof of permission to plant the tree(s).

<sup>9</sup>How many new fruit or nut trees do you plan to plant **this** year as part of this Initiative? \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>10</sup>Please list the type(s) and variety of tree(s) you are planting this year (e.g Montmorency tart cherry):

<sup>11</sup>Are there any existing fruit or nut trees on your lot? Yes  No  How many? \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>12</sup>Please list any existing fruit or nut trees on your lot (type, age, cultivar if known):

<sup>13</sup>Please draw a rough sketch of the lot, detailing, with an "X," where the new trees will be planted. Include major structures, approximate spacing, and type(s) of tree(s).

<sup>14</sup>Please read the following page, then sign and date it. Thanks!



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I give my consent for someone from the Borough or Borough appointed official, to access the property that I have described in this application in order to inspect my trees and determine my eligibility for this program.

I agree that my qualifications for this program are at the sole discretion of the Borough and I may not seek reevaluation or recompense.

I acknowledge and agree that in consideration for participation in this Initiative, on behalf of myself and my executors, administrators and personal representatives, do waive, release and forever discharge the Municipality of Skagway, all assembly members, directors, volunteers, managers, agents, consultants, contractors, representatives, attorneys, insurers, and employees from and against any and all liability and all claims, actions, causes of action, costs, expenses, demands of any damage, loss, death or injury to their person or property arising out of or in connection with the application or participation with this Initiative.

I acknowledge and agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Municipality of Skagway, all assembly members, directors, volunteers, managers, agents, consultants, contractors, representatives, attorneys, insurers, and employees in any action, brought by any person, arising out of any injury or damage, death or other loss claimed to be caused in whole or in part, by my participation in this Initiative.

My signature below signifies that I have fully read and understand the above statements.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_