Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee

STAFF REPORT: APRIL 8TH, 2025

STAFFING UPDATE

Paul Matthews is the official staff liaison until a permanent replacement for Tiffany Giacobazzi is hired. Nicholas Jacob is serving as the interim Urban Forestry and Natural Resources Planning Coordinator.

UPCOMING ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

The table will be updated as events are added.

| Date | Event | Time | Staffing |
|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| May 19 th | Huron River Days | TBD | TBD |
| September | Green Fair | TBD | TBD |
| April 19 th | FreeTree Giveaway | 11am – 4pm | No slots available |
| April 27 th | LSNC Earth Day | 1pm – 4:30pm | Richard Wieland, Rob Davenport |
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SIGNAGE

The unveiling event is anticipated to happen the week of June 2nd.

Temporary signage for the EDFC cannot be placed in the right-of-way. It can, however, be placed on Parks property. Jamie Pauline has made edits to the sign design based on Laurie Tabachnick's suggestions from last month's meeting and will send the slide over to Parks for final edits.

ARBOR DAY PLANTING

Arbor Day planting will take place in conjunction with the sign unveiling. Pauline will reach out to Margolis to arrange for the purchase of trees. She has also asked Parks for species suggestions.

ACTIVITIES ALONG N MAIN AND I-94 BUSINESS LOOP

Public Works has recently discovered that they are not allowed to pay contractors to maintain trees along the roads maintained by MDOT. These roads include Jackson, W Huron, E Huron, Washtenaw, and N Main. Pauline and Matthews are investigating whether the EDFC is permitted to fund plantings along these roads if the work is done by Forestry's in-house crew.

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