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# Volunteer opportunities for the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Maple Syrup Festival at Purple Woods Conservation Area

OSHAWA, ON—Central Lake Ontario Conservation (CLOCA) has many adult and high school volunteer opportunities for individuals looking to assist with the 2020 Maple Syrup Festival at Purple Woods Conservation Area. The dates of the Festival are as follows:

Spring Break: March 13 to 15, 18 to 22, and the weekends of March 28 to 29 and April 4 to 5.  
The Festival will be closed on Monday, March 16 and Tuesday, March 17.

“We have some great volunteer opportunities for adults and high school students looking to log some community service volunteer hours,” says Yvonne Storm, Education Instructor with Central Lake Ontario Conservation. “Volunteers are needed to host children’s activities, interpretive displays, assist with admissions, parking and our food services. We showcase 400 years of the maple syrup history in Ontario through interpretive displays; community organizations serve up pancakes in our Heritage Hall, and we offer lots of free hands-on activities, games and crafts for the kids and kids at heart.”

All selected volunteers will need to arrange their own transportation to and from the Conservation Area as bus service is not available. Volunteers must attend a mandatory orientation session at Purple Woods Conservation Area on Saturday, March 7 from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Purple Woods Conservation Area is located at 38 Coates Road East, on the southeast corner of Coates Road and Simcoe Street, at the Oshawa/Scugog boundary. Access to the site is only available from Simcoe Street.

### **Register now, spaces limited!**

All interested persons are asked to complete an online volunteer form on [CLOCA’s website](#).

For additional information, contact Yvonne Storm at the Central Lake Ontario Conservation office at 905-579-0411, ext. 144 or email [ystorm@cloca.com](mailto:ystorm@cloca.com)

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### **About Central Lake Ontario Conservation (CLOCA)**

Central Lake Ontario Conservation (CLOCA) is a local, community based, environmental organization and one of 36 Conservation Authorities responsible for managing watershed resources across Ontario. Established in 1958, CLOCA's jurisdiction is based on the watershed boundaries of four major watercourses and 18 minor watercourses draining an area of over 639 square kilometres. Central Lake Ontario Conservation's watershed stretches from the municipal boundaries of Ajax/Pickering to Clarington, and north from Lake Ontario to the crest of the Oak Ridges Moraine.

Central Lake Ontario Conservation provides a wide variety of science-based watershed management programs and services, delivered in partnership with their municipal partners, local landowners, environmental agencies and all levels of government. Central Lake Ontario Conservation's municipal partners include the Region of Durham, the cities of Oshawa and Pickering, the towns of Ajax and Whitby, the Municipality of Clarington, and the townships of Scugog and Uxbridge.