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Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council Members
From: Gary Geraldi, Director of Parks and Recreation / Waste Management
Date: April 28, 2026
Subject: Provincial Day of Action on Litter – May 12, 2026

Recommendation:

For Information

Background:

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks is promoting Ontario's 7th annual Provincial Day of Action on Litter, which will be held on Tuesday, May 12th this year.

The MECP and all levels of Government are continuously taking action to reduce the amount of waste going to landfills or becoming litter, by bringing awareness to the impacts of waste on our environment and encouraging people to take action at home and in their community to help keep our environment clean and healthy for generations to come.

Every year, the Provincial Day of Action on Litter event brings together communities, businesses and organizations across the province to help build a greener, cleaner and more sustainable environment for our communities today and for future generations.

Litter can enter our waterways and break down into microplastics, harming wildlife and damaging entire ecosystems. By coming together through local cleanups and promoting waste reduction, we can make a meaningful impact.

Analysis:

The Township of North Kawartha will once again participate in the Provincial Day of Action on Litter by:

1. Promoting Community Litter Clean-Up on May 12th – the 2026 Provincial Day of Action on Litter.



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2. The Township will provide residents and volunteers that sign-up for the Provincial Day of Action on Litter the following:
 - a) Clear garbage bags for free.
 - b) Free pick-up and disposal of the clear garbage bags that are used to collect litter.
 - c) Safety Vest (must be returned).
3. Staff will target identified areas of litter.

Financial Implications:

N/A

Strategic and/or Other Plans:

Governance

1. Provide Quality Community Programs and Services.
2. Provide effective, clear and transparent Township Communication.

Environment

1. Promote Responsible Environmental Stewardship.

Consultant(s) Sourced:

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Attachment:

1. Litter Clean-Up Safety Tips.pdf.
2. Day of Action on Litter Countdown.pdf.
3. Community Participation Form.pdf