



# Town of Charlotte

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A. William Rutter, Jr.  
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Larry -  
This \$25,000 has been  
received. I will set up the  
account - Mary

Dear Bill:

On behalf of the Town of Charlotte, I sincerely thank you for your very thoughtful and generous initiative to create the Rutter Fund for Charlotte Beautification. Your financial support will create a significant living legacy which Charlotte residents and visitors will benefit from and enjoy now and for many generations to come. Thank you so very much.

This letter also confirms our understanding of how the Rutter Fund for Charlotte Beautification will be administered and used. Please co-sign below and return a copy to Town Clerk Mary Mead, P O Box 119, Charlotte Vermont 05445, along with your check or other instrument for \$25,000 made out to Town of Charlotte. Upon receipt, the Rutter Fund for Charlotte Beautification will be established and a 5-year program of tree planting initiated. This \$25,000 tree planting program will focus on roadsides, working to establish and reinforce the beauty and useful functions of shade trees along our public roadways; it will also support planting and maintenance of trees on Town lands such as the Town Green and the Charlotte Park and Wildlife Refuge. The Charlotte Tree Warden will oversee this tree planting program, with guidance from an advisory committee of at least three members to be appointed by the Selectboard from the following list of interested individuals: Katherine Teeter, Robin Coleburn, Annemie Curlin, Gary Pittman, Norman Pellett.

Upon receipt in 2007 of your second gift of \$25,000 to the Rutter Fund for Charlotte Beautification, an on-going Rutter Fund Oversight Committee will be appointed by Selectboard. Chaired by the Tree Warden, and in consultation with yourself as donor, the

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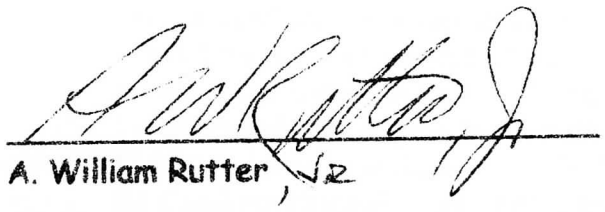
Rutter Fund Oversight Committee will develop a plan for the use of the second \$25,000, directing it toward enhancing the publicly-available natural beauty of the Town. Possible activities include invasive alien plant control at Thompson's Point, and undergrounding of unsightly utility lines at our three most scenic viewpoints (as shown on the Town map of Roads with High Scenic and Conservation Values). The Rutter Fund Oversight Committee will seek additional contributions or matching funds for projects proposed.

Thank you again for your generosity and commitment to maintaining our heritage of natural beauty of Charlotte.

Sincerely,



Lawrence S. Hamilton  
Tree Warden

  
A. William Rutter, Jr

12/8/06  
date

What I have in mind for 2007 and possibly future years is a challenge matching grant of up to \$25,000, i.e., I would match up to that amount of contributions from other interested parties. My hope is that we will thereby reach an additional \$50,000 and, depending on economic conditions in the out years, I would hope to be able to continue.