...but don't worry, this is a perfectly natural process! Trees get sick, get old, outcompete each other, and die, just like us. The difference between humans and trees is that deer don't eat our offspring before they get a chance to grow!

The BCL Environmental Committee has developed a new program to help *you* identify and protect native seedlings (young trees) on your own property using pre-built cages.

Caging a young seedling allows it to reach an age where it can naturally protect itself from curious deer, falling branches, and other physical threats. Native trees are an integral part of our forests' health, and the more we save, the healthier our forests will be.

Our cages are affordable (\$10), delivered directly to your door, easy to install (~15 minutes), and protect your saplings during their most vulnerable age (3-4 years).

Learn more and purchase a cage today:

**Step 1:** Identify native species in your yard with our helpful Youtube video. https://youtu.be/MtXPYioN4Wc?si=WhNHtSdtBGB8jBNU

**Step 2:** Order one (or multiple) kit(s) using this form. https://www.bclca.org/\_files/ugd/3ae4fa\_5e6dd3eb2f1046a49d59080e8ee255c0.pdf

**Step 3:** Once your cage is delivered (1-2 weeks), watch our cage installation video and install your cage!

https://youtu.be/FdDBd1K2dyY?si=RniQ2vUZ\_oC9fbcf

Thank you.

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