



## ***Township of Southwold, Ontario***

**Communities in Bloom - 2016 Ontario Edition**

### **5 Blooms Rosie Rhubarb Festival**

**PRESS RELEASE: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

The Township of Southwold received a rating of 5 Blooms and a special mention for *Rosie Rhubarb Festival* during the 2016 Communities in Bloom Ontario Provincial Awards hosted by the City of Stratford on September 17th. Southwold also received a Criteria Award for :

*Environmental Action – which was sponsored by Brett Young*  
(please see attached pictures of community receiving their awards)

In July and August, trained volunteer judges travelled to participating communities to evaluate the overall contributions of municipal council and departments; industry; businesses and the private sector – including volunteer efforts – in regards to the following criteria: Tidiness, Environmental Action, Heritage Conservation, Urban Forestry, Landscape and Floral Displays.

A complete list of the Provincial & National results along with an online copy of the latest Communities in Bloom magazine will be available on our National website [www.communitiesinbloom.ca](http://www.communitiesinbloom.ca) following the National Symposium & Awards Ceremony which will be held from October 27th to 29th 2016 in Regina, Saskatchewan.

Within the actual context of climate changes and environmental concerns, communities involved in the program can be proud of their efforts, which provide real and meaningful environmental solutions and benefit all of society.

**About Communities in Bloom:** Communities in Bloom is a Canadian non-profit organization committed to fostering civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community involvement and the challenge of a national program, with focus on the enhancement of green spaces. The pride, sense of community and feeling of accomplishment generated through participation are visible in communities across Canada. For more information about Communities in Bloom, visit [www.communitiesinbloom.ca](http://www.communitiesinbloom.ca)

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