

PRESERVING OUR FORESTS ONE CONTAINER, ONE TREE INITIATIVE

THE CHALLENGE

Medline offers its customers in Europe an extensive portfolio of medical and surgical products, many of which are made in Asia and Europe. Transporting these products from the various factories to our customers' doorsteps in Europe involves a large network of ocean, road, rail and air freight, which contributes substantially to Medline's carbon footprint.

WHAT MEDLINE IS DOING ABOUT IT

To mitigate our environmental impact, we have launched our 'One Container, One Tree' initiative. For every container shipped to Europe, we will plant one tree in Europe to support wider reforestation efforts on the continent.

We have already taken action!

In April 2018 alone, **Medline sponsored the planting of 2,000 trees** in France. The 2,000 trees we planted represent the 2,000 containers of medical devices shipped for two of our product divisions: sterile procedure trays (SPTs) and gowns/drapes.

This is just the beginning of what will be a long-term corporate social responsibility project in several European countries. Even more of our product divisions will be represented in future.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL BENEFITS OF THE TREES PLANTED BY MEDLINE

The impact of the trees we've planted in France is:



2,000,000 km by car offsetBIODIVERSITY

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EMPLOYMENT 2,000 hours of work created Scale: 2,000 trees, which were an add-on to an <u>existing project</u> Tree species: Douglas fir (90%), larch (5%), oak (5%) Where: Saint-Pierre-La-Bourlhonne, France When: April 2018 Medline's partner: <u>Reforest Action</u>, a social enterprise based in France



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