

APRIL 2016



**LOCATION:**  
Colonel Sam Smith Park, Etobicoke Creed Watershed

**DATE:**  
Sunday, April 17, 2016

**REGION/MUNICIPALITY:**  
City of Toronto

**PARTNERS:**  
Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA), City of Toronto, Local Residents



## Watershed Wide Cleanup at Colonel Sam Smith Park with Local Residents

TRCA partnered with local watershed champion, Alan Roy, the City of Toronto, and other local area residents to participate in a litter clean-up event at Colonel Sam Smith Park. Local MP James Maloney and MPP Peter Milzcyń's staff came by to lend a hand at the event.

Approximately one hundred and forty people pitched in to remove litter from natural areas and the Lake Ontario shoreline surrounding Colonel Sam Smith Park. Approximately eighty eight garbage bags were filled totalling approximately 450 lbs. of garbage.

Some of the more interesting items collected included a barrel, shoes and plastic wire coating. Litter poses a significant risk to wildlife as plastics can persist in the natural environment for hundreds of years and can be ingested by wildlife.



### POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

| # of Bags Collected | Total Weight Collected | # of volunteers | Volunteer hours |
|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| ~88 bags            | ~450 lbs.              | 120             | 280             |