

**SEPTEMBER 2016**



**LOCATION:**  
Secretariat Court, Etobicoke Creek Watershed

**DATE:**  
Tuesday, September 13, 2016

**REGION/MUNICIPALITY:**  
Region of Peel, City of Mississauga

**PARTNERS:**  
Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA), The Living City Foundation, Region of Peel, City of Mississauga, TD Women in Business



## Stormwater Management Pond #5101 Native Tree and Shrub Planting with TD Women in Business

TD Women in Business employees gathered at a stormwater management pond in Mississauga to take part in TD Tree Days.

The ladies were split into three groups, given a planting demonstration and quickly got to work planting native trees and shrubs. This plant material will also be part of TRCA's Young Tree and Shrub Monitoring & Maintenance Program. A portion of plant material is tagged with a unique ID number, measurements are taken and general observations of the tree or shrub are recorded. This program tracks success of plants and helps provide maintenance strategies to assist with plant survival.

This group of women are to be commended for their efforts and successfully planted and placed mulch mats around all 300 pieces of plant material. They also collected garbage and litter from around the site as part of TRCA's Watershed Wide Cleanup initiative.

During the planting, a lesser yellow-legged sandpiper (*Tringa flavipes*) waded along the shoreline.

These types of community engagement activities improve the overall health and function of the watershed and provide participants with a greater appreciation and understanding of the role stormwater ponds play in filtering contaminants prior to entering nearby rivers and creeks.



### POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Vegetation Planted	# of Pieces Planted	Total Area Enhanced (sq.m)	Garbage Collected	# of Participants	Participant Hrs. Contributed
<b>Trees</b>	45	115	4 lg. bags	33	100
<b>Shrubs</b>	225	385	~30 lbs.		
<b>Total</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>~30 lbs.</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>100</b>