

Wonderful Watershed Moments!

SEPTEMBER 2016



LOCATION:
Wilket Creek, Don River Watershed

DATE:
Wednesday, September 14, 2016

REGION/MUNICIPALITY:
City of Toronto

PARTNERS:
Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA), Living City Foundation, City of Toronto, TD Employees, Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB)



Wilket Creek, Native Tree and Shrub Planting with TD Employees and Members of Canadian Institute for the Blind

TD employees partnered with CNIB to plant native trees and shrubs at Wilket Creek. This site was part of an erosion control and bank stabilization project by TRCA earlier this year. As part of the stabilization, native trees and shrubs are planted along the riparian zone.

Participants were given a planting demonstration to ensure quality and quickly got underway.

A group of volunteers also became citizen scientists and participated in TRCA's Young Tree and Shrub Monitoring and 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 is recorded. This program tracks success of plants and helps provide maintenance required to assist with plant survival.

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 natural spaces within urbanized settings.



POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Vegetation Planted	# of Pieces Planted	Total Area Enhanced (sq. m)	# of Participants	Participant Hrs. Contributed
Trees	95	240	22	70
Shrubs	105	160		
Total	200	400	22	70