

OCTOBER 2016



LOCATION:

Valleywood, Cliffview Court, Etobicoke Creek Watershed

DATE:

Friday, October 21, 2016

REGION/MUNICIPALITY:

Region of Peel, Town of Caledon

PARTNERS:

Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA), Region of Peel, Town of Caledon, Peel Conservation Youth Corps



Valleywood Cliffview Court Native Tree and Shrub Planting Event with Peel Conservation Youth Corps

Peel Conservation Youth Corps (CYC) participants became citizen scientists as they gathered at the headwaters of Etobicoke Creek to learn about their natural neighbourhood as well as enhance naturalized areas.

Students began their day planting 100 native trees and shrubs then took part in TRCA's Young Tree and Shrub Maintenance and Monitoring Program (YTMP). Through YTMP, CYC participants gained an understanding of natural spaces and the importance of a healthy diverse ecosystem while collecting baseline data for the fall planting site.

Students finished the day with a nature hike and a close look at the variety of life in and around Etobicoke Creek.

These community engagement activities improve the overall health and function of the watershed and provides participants with a greater appreciation and understanding of natural spaces within urbanized environments.



POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Vegetation Planted	# of Pieces Planted	Total Area Enhanced (sq. m)	# of Participants	Participant Hrs. Contributed
Trees	10	25	~52	156
Shrubs	90	135		
Total	100	160	~52	156