

Wonderful Watershed Moments!

APRIL 2018



LOCATION:
County Court Park, Etobicoke Creek Watershed

DATE:
Saturday April 21, 2018

REGION/MUNICIPALITY:
City of Brampton, Region of Peel

PARTNERS:
Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA), City of Brampton, Local Residents, County Court Neighborhood Association



County Court Park, Community Watershed Wide Cleanup

TRCA partnered with the City of Brampton, Regional Councilor Martin Medeiros and the County Court Neighborhood Association to deliver a litter clean-up activity at County Court Park and adjacent local parks, as part of TRCA's Watershed Wide Cleanup Campaign.

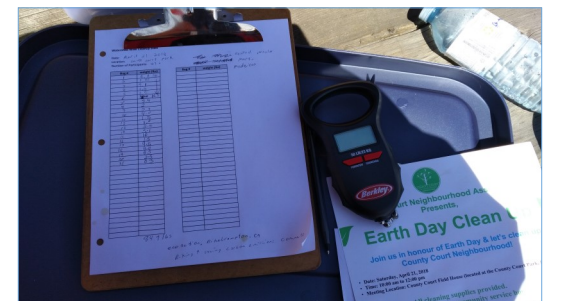
Participants pitched in to remove debris and garbage from local naturalized areas surrounding the city streets and greenspaces around the County Court Park area.

Approximately 84 pounds of garbage was collected and removed from the area, reducing pollutants and contaminants from entering local waterbodies and contaminating the local ecosystem.

Local resident and event participant Mona had this to say about the cleanup: "It's a great event. Its good to take part in your community".

These clean-up efforts are crucial to restoring areas of wildlife habitat that have been degraded due to litter including multiple forms of plastics. Plastics persist in the natural environment for hundreds of years contaminating the surrounding soil and water. As they break down, it is referred to as microplastics which can be mistaken for food and ingested by wildlife posing a significant health risk.

Participation in these types of activities provide a better understanding to the importance of greenspace and a heightened awareness of local biodiversity and assist with maintaining a healthy watershed.



Positive Environmental Impacts

Garbage Bags Collected	Total Weight of Garbage (lbs)	# of Participants	Participant Hrs Contributed
21	84.7 lbs	27	54

