

WATERSHED *moments*



Claireville Conservation Area School Based Restoration Planting with Tommy Douglas SS

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) hosted a group of 100 graduating students from Tommy Douglas Secondary School at Claireville Conservation Area to participate in an environmental activity as part of their "Grad Give Back Day".

After a warm welcome and a safety talk from TRCA staff, these enthusiastic students quickly got underway to plant 120 native trees and shrubs, placing mulch around each piece.

Several students took on the role of citizen scientist to help collect data for TRCA's Young Tree and Shrub Monitoring and Maintenance Program (YTMP). A percentage of plant material is tagged with a unique ID number, measurements are taken and general plant health information is recorded. A maintenance strategy is put into place for three to five years to manage invasive vegetation, remeasure, track impacts of insect infestation, disease and effects from storm events.

Mill Patel, one of the student had this to say about her experience: "It was a very meaningful experience. I really enjoyed the presence of nature and interaction with the environment".

Activities of this nature educate and bring awareness to the importance in enhancing natural spaces within urbanized environments. Participants are given the opportunity to develop 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	40	100	~100	300
Shrubs	80	120		
Total	120	220	~100	300



LOCATION:
Claireville Conservation Area, Humber River Watershed

DATE:
Friday May 10, 2019

REGION/MUNICIPALITY:
Region of Peel, City of Brampton

IN COLLABORATION WITH:
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), Peel Region, Tommy Douglas Secondary School Students and Teachers



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