

WATERSHED *moments*




LOCATION:
Conservation Drive Park, Etobicoke Creek Watershed

DATE:
Thursday September 19, 2019

REGION/MUNICIPALITY:
Region of Peel, City of Brampton

IN COLLABORATION WITH:
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA),
Region of Peel, City of Brampton, TD Employees and
Families and Local Residents



Conservation Drive Park Community-Based Planting with TD Employees and Local Residents

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), in collaboration with the City of Brampton, TD employees, and local residents, gathered at Conservation Drive Park in Brampton for a community-based planting as part of the TD Tree Days initiative. This site is part of City of Brampton's "No-Mow" initiative being undertaken to extend vegetated areas along waterways, and expand tree canopy in community parks.

Participants were welcomed by the TD site leader, given a safety talk and planting demonstration to ensure quality and allow for best plant survival and then planted over 300 native trees and shrubs.

A group of participants were also engaged as citizen scientists to assist staff with conducting TRCA's Young Tree and Shrub Monitoring and Maintenance Program (YTMP). Through the YTMP a portion of plants are tagged with a unique identification and measurements are taken. A maintenance strategy is put in place for three to five years, and staff and volunteers return to remeasure, perform invasive vegetation control and maintenance, record effects from storm events, insect infestation, disease and wildlife browse, in order to track success of plant material.

These 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 environments.



Positive Environmental Impacts

Vegetation Planted	# of Pieces Planted	Total Area Enhanced (sq.m.)	# of Participants	Participant Hrs Contributed
Trees	110	275	35	105
Shrubs	200	300		
Total	310	575	35	105

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