

WATERSHED *moments*

Morningside Creek, Community-Based Planting and Environmental Activities with Local Residents

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), in collaboration with the City of Toronto, hosted a community-based planting and environment activities along a section of Morningside Creek.

City Councillor Jennifer McKelvie, and Member of Parliament Shaun Chen, provided a welcome to the participants to thank them for attending. City of Toronto and TRCA staff gave a safety talk and planting demonstration, and the group planted 350 native trees and shrubs to enhance the riparian zone of the creek.

Some participants took on the role of citizen scientist to assist staff collect data for TRCA's Young Tree and Shrub Monitoring and Maintenance Program (YTMP). A maintenance strategy is put in place for three to five years to record general health and success of plants. Each year, staff and volunteers manage invasive vegetation, plants are re-measured, and data collected to track impacts of insect infestation, disease, and effects from storms to track success of plant growth.

Participants were also provided educational information from booth exhibitors including; Toronto Zoo's Adopt-a-Pond Program and Parks Canada's Learn to Camp.

Engaging local residents and community groups in environmental awareness and enhancement activities within natural spaces provides a better understanding to the importance of protecting greenspace.

Positive Environmental Impacts

Vegetation Planted	# of Pieces Planted	Total Area Enhanced (sq.m.)	# of Participants	Participant Hrs Contributed
Trees	109	275	100 +	300
Shrubs	241	365		
Total	350	640	100 +	300

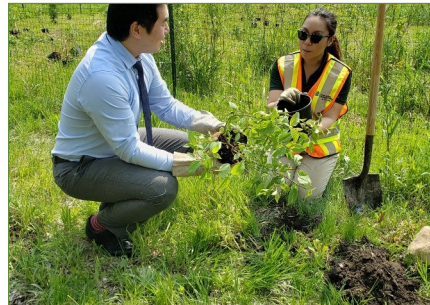


LOCATION:
Morningside Creek, Rouge River Watershed

DATE:
Saturday June 1, 2018

REGION/MUNICIPALITY:
City of Toronto

IN COLLABORATION WITH:
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA),
City of Toronto, Toronto Zoo, Parks Canada and Local Residents



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