

Community Stewardship Program

School Group Planting



Who we are

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority's (TRCA) Community Stewardship Program engages and works with community, school and corporate groups to restore the environment through hands-on stewardship activities including planting, invasive species removal, and litter clean-ups.

Importance of this activity

Plantings help to introduce native species into our ecosystems, which in turns helps with:

- Climate change mitigation
- Water and air purification
- Erosion control
- Habitat creation for wildlife

What the event day will look like

- A TRCA member will meet you when you arrive
- Drop any bags or personal belongings under our tent
- TRCA staff will provide an activity overview, safety talk, and planting demonstration
- Start planting! Work with us to get all the plants in the ground
- Assist with mulching and watering the plants once they're in the ground
- Take a group photo in front of the trees at the end of the event

Safety

To ensure everyone's safety, there are a couple of precautions to keep in mind while working with us:

- Terrain can be variable, so always watch where you're walking
- Ask staff for help if you are unsure
- Wear your provided work gloves at all times
- Make sure to take water breaks as needed
- We run events in all weather (*with the exception of thunderstorms*) so make sure you dress accordingly
- No pets allowed with the exception of service animals

WHAT WILL BE PROVIDED

- Sunscreen
- Bug spray
- Work gloves
- Snacks
- Water Jug (*to refill water bottles*)
- Plants
- Shovels
- Buckets
- Hand sanitizer

CHECKLIST OF WHAT YOU SHOULD BRING

- A hat (*recommended*)
- Long pants
- Closed toe shoes (*that you don't mind getting a little dirty*)
- Refillable water bottle
- Review CSP video here: trca.ca/csp-planting

To learn more about TRCA's Community Stewardship Program visit trca.ca/csp

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