

# Community Stewardship Program

## Tree & Shrub 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

- Meet at the TRCA tent 20 minutes prior to the event
- TRCA staff will provide an activity overview, safety talk, and planting demonstration
- Following the demonstration, participants will spread out work with us to plant all of the trees and shrubs
- Assist with mulching and watering the plants once they're in the ground
- Take a group photo in front of the planting

### 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](https://trca.ca/csp-planting)

To learn more about TRCA's Community Stewardship Program visit [trca.ca/csp](https://trca.ca/csp)

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