

OCTOBER 2016



LOCATION:
Gatineau Hydro Corridor, Don River Watershed

DATE:
Thursday, October 13, 2016

REGION/MUNICIPALITY:
City of Toronto

PARTNERS:
Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA), City of Toronto, Hydro One, St. Richard's Catholic School Students



Gatineau Hydro Corridor Shrub Planting with St Richard's Catholic School Students

The Gatineau Hydro Corridor Revitalization initiative is continuing to make a difference to the natural neighbourhood thanks to the efforts of students from St. Richard's Catholic School.

Working alongside TRCA staff, the students planted 150 native shrubs adjacent to a newly created pollinator meadow plot, providing food, protection, and habitat for the many species of pollinators and other local wildlife.

Students also took part as citizen scientists in TRCA's Young Tree and Shrub Monitoring and Maintenance Program (YTMP). A portion of plant material is tagged with a unique ID number, measured and general observations are taken. Students learned the basics of tree identification and the types of maintenance carried out for the program.

This type of community engagement activity helps to educate participants on the importance of greenspace and healthy diverse ecosystems in urban settings.



POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Vegetation Planted	# of Pieces Planted	Total Area Enhanced (sq. m)	# of Participants	Participant Hrs. Contributed
Shrubs	500	225	~90	270
Total	150	225	~90	270