

**GREENING
THE HILL**
Our Community
Our Future

Environment Strategy Achievements

2022

Our Environment Strategy, *Greening the Hill: Our Community, Our Future*, outlines our vision and plan to become a more environmentally sustainable community. Here are some key highlights from 2022:



Strengthening our environmental commitment



Building on the success of *Greening the Hill*, we updated the Strategy to address gaps and emerging issues. The update includes 90 actions for environmental improvement aimed at greening our consumption, greening our natural spaces and greening our growth over the next 8 years.

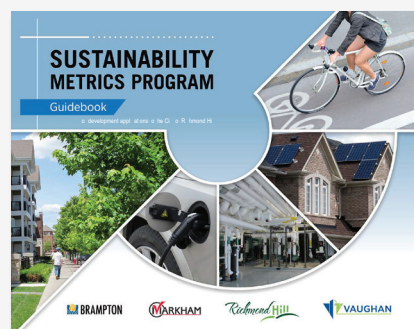


Enhancing places for people to play

Our updated Parks Plan provides a framework to grow and enhance the city's park system through 2031 to support our vision for a more environmentally sustainable community. We'll aim to use parks to connect communities and include environmentally-friendly and climate resilient features such as more native plants, trees, pollinator and rain gardens.



Raising the bar for sustainable development



Our Sustainability Metrics Program (SMP) is an important way we encourage and evaluate the sustainability and resiliency of new developments. Our newly updated SMP continues raising the sustainability bar by promoting energy and water conservation, active transportation, tree canopy and natural heritage improvements, stormwater management and more.



Reducing single-use plastics

We continued our efforts to reduce single-use plastics by introducing a Corporate Single-Use Plastics Reduction Policy, an educational guide for staff and vendors at City facilities and events, and other measures to eliminate single-use plastics in City buildings.



Choose to Reuse
Say NO to single-use plastics



Reducing energy at the Operations Centre



We were recognized with a Sustainability Award by the Windfall Centre for improving energy performance at our Operations Centre between 2020 and 2021. These improvements resulted from proactive equipment maintenance, energy efficiency upgrades and staff leadership.



REDUCTION IN ENERGY USE



REDUCTION IN GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

Working together to protect, enhance and restore our natural environment

Community Stewardship Program



1,348
Community volunteers



9,855
Trees planted



6.2 ha
Area restored

Healthy Yards Program



1,390
Trees distributed



3,680
Wildflowers distributed



300
Rain barrels distributed



300
Composters distributed

Clean Up, Green Up Weeks



9,000
Community volunteers



175
Streets, parks and trails cleaned