2021 In Review

Lake Simcoe Region conservation authority

Transformation
2022-2024

In 2021 we embarked on a significant in-house consultative process to engage staff and our board in the development of our new strategic plan. The result, Transformation 2022-2024, reaffirms our vision of watershed health and the mission we aspire to achieve. It's also a call to action to every level of government, to every resident, business, community group and volunteer. We hope you will join us on this journey. Visit LSRCATransformation.ca for more information.

Quick Facts

- established in 1951
- 105 employees
- 18 board members
- 3,400 square km watershed, spanning 20 municipal boundaries

Climate Action

210+ participants in climate change webinars

65% of climate change recommendations complete or in progress

6 climate change working groups attended by staff

Restoring the Land

58,213 trees & shrubs planted

3,438 metres of streambank & buffer restored

102 restoration projects completed

36 hectares of grassland restored

52 hectares of land reforested

Behind the Scenes

100% of our website documents meet legislative accessibility requirements

39% increase in LinkedIn followers

16 media releases distributed

29 Conservation Awards recipients recognized

0 COVID-19 work-related cases due to strict health & safety measures

Keeping Us Safe

14 flood warnings issued

New shoreline watch system implemented

Science and Research

6 new monitoring stations contributed to

4.5 million data points collected

3 peer reviewed journal articles published

Nature Next Door

312,000 visitors to our popular properties

13,650 trees sold in our do-it-yourself planting program

2,276 hectares of land we manage including:

56 hectares of property acquired in Beaver River

143 kilometres of trails we maintained for safe public use through the pandemic

Nature Based Education

9,057 student engagements

444 participants in LSRCA led community programming

270 teachers participated in professional development

Responsible Growth

1,177 planning submissions received (new applications & resubmissions)

59% increase in enforcement complaints

43% increase in pre-consultation applications received

28% increase in regulations applications received

11% increase in Planning Act applications received

93 violation notices issued

Fundraising for a Cause

$1.5 Million

A record breaking year that exceeded all of the fundraising goals set by the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation - a big thank you to all donors!

Protecting Our Drinking Water

5 new Source Protection Committee members

3 Source Protection Committee meetings held

Watershed Management

150 professionals and students trained in stormwater management infrastructure inspection and maintenance

90% of subwatershed plan recommendations completed

70 stormwater management facilities inspected to guide maintenance and management decisions

Balancing the Budget

Revenue

- **36%** Special Capital Levy & Municipal Partners
- **29%** Revenue Generated by Authority
- **22%** General Levy
- **13%** Provincial & Federal Transfer Payments & Grants
- **1%** Other Revenue

Expenditures

- **24%** Corporate Services
- **20%** Planning & Development Services
- **18%** Ecological Management
- **18%** Water Risk Management
- **10%** Watershed Studies & Strategies
- **5%** Greenspace Services
- **4%** Education & Engagement