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Land Acknowledgement

The Greenbelt Foundation acknowledges that the land we meet on and strive to protect is

the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Huron-Wendat, and is now home to many other diverse First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Peoples.

The area we now call the Greenbelt consists of treaty lands. Such Treaties of Canada include the Niagara Purchase, between the Lakes Purchase and Collins Purchase, Head of the Lake Treaty, Ajetance Treaty, Toronto Purchase, Gunshot Treaty, Treaty Number 20, Saugeen Treaty, Treaty Number 82, Saugeen Peninsula Treaty, and Lake Simcoe Nottawasaga Treaty. It is important that we learn about the history and continued presence of these treaties because we are all treaty people.

The lakes, rivers, and wetlands, as well as forests, ravines, and healthy farmlands in the Greenbelt have been stewarded and protected by the First Peoples since time immemorial. We are grateful to the First Peoples for their care of the land on Turtle Island, which many of us have come to call home. We respect and are inspired by the deep connection of kinship that Indigenous Peoples have with the land.

We acknowledge and condemn events such as Indian Residential Schools, Indian Day Schools, the Sixties Scoop, Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, and many other violent acts committed since European settlers arrived on this land. The vibrant way of life of Indigenous Peoples and their connection to the land has been suppressed due to attempted genocide, colonialization, and assimilation. We acknowledge the truth of these events, continuing effects, and the enduring rights of Indigenous Peoples.

We recognize that the Greenbelt is based on a land management plan developed by settlers, and we as a Foundation have a responsibility to ensure the work we do reflects the continued efforts and rights of the First Peoples of this land. As a Foundation, we will continue to support projects that prioritize reconciliation, such as projects that increase awareness of the presence of Indigenous Peoples and their territories; projects that build meaningful relations with Indigenous Peoples to conserve and restore nature in the region; projects that we collaborate with Indigenous Peoples and Communities to improve communications with municipalities in land-use planning. We will continue to look for ways to align our mandate with the Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

As we continue to work towards our vision of a protected, prosperous Greenbelt for all, we will seek opportunities to listen to and learn from Indigenous leaders and elders. We will support Indigenous-led initiatives that advance education, understanding, and reconciliation. We will further educate ourselves on Indigenous Knowledge Systems that can inform and support our mandate to sustain the air, lands, and waterways in the Greenbelt.

A Message From Our Chair



Now more than ever, our vision is a vibrant and healthy Greenbelt.

After another challenging year of the COVID-19 pandemic, extreme weather events, and the disruption of major global systems, we have seen the benefits of the Greenbelt continue to come into sharp focus.

The Greenbelt continued to serve Ontarians during this time by providing a fresh local food source, opportunities for outdoor recreation, and the continued benefits of natural assets and features that help our region face the threats of climate change. The importance of access to nature and to local food became even more clear through the pandemic and will continue to need specific focus as we collectively work toward a post-COVID recovery.

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A Message From Our CEO



Once again, the year was not what we expected it to be.

However, amidst the challenges, the Greenbelt Foundation was able to deliver on its mission to promote and sustain the Greenbelt as a vital, valuable, and permanent safeguard for our future that enhances the quality of life for all residents of Ontario.

This year, we continued to work with our partners to build capacity and strengthen systems in the Greenbelt. We have published essential research on the value of nature, the importance of soil health, the economic impacts and life histories of Greenbelt Farmers. We have supported projects, through our grant-making stream, that will have a direct and lasting impact on natural systems, tourism, agriculture, and the local economy. We have continued to be the champion for Ontario's Greenbelt—an asset that continues to serve all Ontarians.

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About the Foundation

For 17 years, the Greenbelt Foundation has been the champion of Ontario's Greenbelt, promoting its benefits and helping it to provide measurable contributions to quality of life in the Greater Golden Horseshoe. The Greenbelt Foundation has leveraged and invested over \$100 million in strategic grants and programs, research and policy initiatives, as well as engagement and outreach activities. This work has contributed to a thriving local food and agriculture sector, strong rural economies, climate-resilient communities, and accessible greenspace for the one in three Canadians who call the Greater Golden Horseshoe home.

The Greenbelt Foundation is the only organization solely dedicated to ensuring Ontario's Greenbelt remains permanent, protected, and prosperous. We make the right investments in its interconnected natural, agricultural, and economic systems, to ensure a working, thriving Greenbelt for all. Ontario's Greenbelt is over two million acres of farmland, forests, wetlands, and rivers, working together to provide clean air, fresh water, and a reliable local food source.

At its core, Greenbelt Foundation is a research and grant-making organization that supports and collaborates with other organizations and actors in activities and projects that further the mission of Ontario's Greenbelt Plan.

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The Greenbelt

\$9.6 billion contributed annually in economic activity

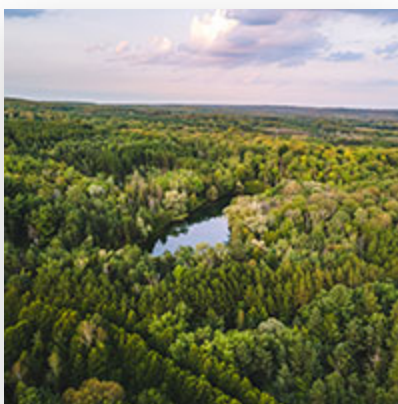
\$3.2 billion contributed annually in ecosystem services

177,700 jobs supported (full-time or equivalent)

9 out of 10 Ontarians support the Greenbelt

Spotlight: Oak Ridges Moraine Trail

In February 2020, the Greenbelt Foundation expanded its mandate to incorporate the priorities and work of the Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation.



This integration established a promising way forward for the continued stewardship, protection, and enhancement of the Oak Ridges Moraine (ORM)—one of the Greenbelt’s most important natural features and a crucial source of freshwater for millions of Ontarians.

In addition to its critical role as a hydrologic feature, the Oak Ridges Moraine is also a vital natural heritage system home to 78 species at risk. As for recreational facilities, the ORM offers a trail along its length to provide residents with access to

nature and physical and mental well-being.

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Annual Highlights

MAINTAINING AND ENHANCING NATURAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND CLIMATE RESILIENCE



Wetlands, river valleys, forests, and other green features are examples of natural assets that provide quantifiable infrastructural services to surrounding communities. They prevent flooding, modify temperatures during heat waves, purify fresh water, and provide greenspace for healthy, outdoor recreation, among other services. By formally managing, accounting for, and investing in these assets, municipalities can save on infrastructure costs, improve their

region's resilience to climate change, and create stable, full-time jobs for local workers.

Additionally, the Greenbelt as an ecological corridor is critical to biodiversity in southern Ontario, which happens to be one of the most biodiverse areas of the country. The connectivity of natural systems in the Greenbelt allows for species migration and endangered species to find suitable habitat.

Did you know?

The Greenbelt Foundation is Canada's largest third-party investor in municipal natural asset management programs. Our vision is to mainstream the protection and use of natural assets, and to make near-urban nature an integral part of key government environmental conservation programs.

Municipal Natural Asset Inventory Program

Throughout 2021-2022, the Greenbelt Foundation and Municipal Natural Asset Initiative (MNAI) supported Greenbelt and Greater Golden Horseshoe municipalities to develop natural asset inventories. This project delivers the largest cluster of municipal natural asset inventories in the country.

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Photo by Hamilton Conservation Authority

Saltfleet Wetlands Restoration Project, Hamilton Conservation Authority (HCA)

This project restores a 109-hectare historic wetland complex on the Niagara Escarpment in east Hamilton to reduce downstream flooding and complete the new Saltfleet Conservation Area. Added benefits include as enhanced biodiversity, carbon sequestration, recreation, and water quality.

Portions of Stoney Creek and Upper Battlefield Creek Watersheds are degraded due to erosion from past uses and urbanization, resulting in significant risk of flooding to 306 downstream residential and commercial properties. Restoration of the wetland area will reduce the social and economic impacts of flooding for residents and businesses downstream.

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Implementing Southern Ontario Nature Coalition Recommendations

Through our Grant Funding Program, the Foundation is overseeing the implementation of quick start recommendations outlined in the Near-Urban Nature Network: A Solution to Climate Change and Biodiversity Loss final and technical reports. The report argues that biodiversity on the fringes of urban areas is under threat; we must address that issue while also building more resilient communities.

Recommendations include building partnerships with municipalities and conservation authorities to protect, manage and restore biodiversity, including identifying candidate sites for Protected and Conserved Areas in the Greater Golden Horseshoe (GGH) and developing a long-term tree planting achieve 30 per cent forest cover across the GGH.

Building on these recommendations, Foundation-funded projects include a native seed strategy from Carolinian Canada, the restoration of important connectivity lands between the Greenbelt and Rouge National Urban Park from Wildlands League, and a project from Ontario Nature that assesses municipal and conservation authority lands towards Canada's 2025 Protected Areas Target.

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Improving Access to Large Parks

In spring 2022, the Foundation released a new report with Green Infrastructure Ontario, called *Improving Access to Large Parks in Ontario's Golden Horseshoe: Policy, Planning, and Funding Strategies*. This report is a follow-up to the State of Large Parks in Ontario's Golden Horseshoe, published in 2019.

The research finds that 2.1 million people are living in neighbourhoods with low accessibility to parks, which is regrettable given the mental and physical health benefits of being in nature have never been clearer. The report goes on to identify recommendations that will improve planning and supply of large parks to keep up with population growth in the region.

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ENHANCING OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPERIENCE NATURE IN THE GREENBELT



The Greenbelt offers many ways for Ontarians to connect with nature. From majestic urban river valleys that offer respite from modern life to hundreds of kilometres of cycling and hiking trails, there's something for everyone in the Greenbelt.

Through research and investments, the Greenbelt Foundation helps drive tourism and recreation in the Greenbelt. This supports rural economies and helps Ontarians understand the multitude of opportunities the Greenbelt offers for enjoying a low-carbon, healthy active lifestyle, particularly during COVID-19.

Did you know?

Over 76 million people visit the Greenbelt each year, supporting 75,000 local jobs in the tourism and recreation sector.

Photo by Martin Lortz

Greenbelt to Great Lakes Cycling Experiences with Waterfront Regeneration Trust

With the expansion of six new signed connector routes from urban centres along the Waterfront Trail to the Greenbelt Route, this project increases awareness of the Greenbelt Route as an iconic cycling holiday destination, takes advantage of the cycling boom, and assists rural economies in recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Attendees stand together smiling at Niagara College Wine Visitor + Education Centre, four of them holding partner recognition plaques. Blue sky and trees in the background.

Niagara Peninsula Aspiring Geopark

The Foundation's support of this project aims for the designation of the Niagara Peninsula as a Geopark, an international recognition for significant geological landscapes that supports sustainable and educational tourism.

Defined by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Geoparks are popular tourism destinations with measurable impacts. If certified, the Geopark will benefit Niagara residents and visitors, and local educational institutions, businesses, and tourism operators. It will attract local and eventually international visitors and support rural economy.

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Value of Nature Survey

The Greenbelt Value of Nature Survey for Recreation in the Greater Golden Horseshoe examines the way in which people connected with nature and the impacts of COVID-19 on nature-based activities between July 2020 and August 2021.

The report found that, over a one-year period, approximately 3.7 million people travelled to a Greenbelt destination to engage in a nature-based activity. Survey participants drew important links to mental health and well-being, with 60 per cent saying they engage in nature-based activities to relieve stress, while 58 per cent noted an improvement in mental health, and 55 per cent indicated that nature-based activities cleared their minds.

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"Amazing Experiences" in Greenbelt's United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Biosphere

"Amazing Experiences" takes visitors on fun, nature-based adventures in the Bruce Peninsula, the Greenbelt's own UNESCO World Biosphere. The experiences provide visitors with the opportunity to learn about the Bruce Peninsula area and its global ecological and geological significance.

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Moccasin Identifier (MI), Mississauga of the Credit First Nation

This multi-year project increases Indigenous presence and Treaty awareness across the Greenbelt landscape by establishing Indigenous heritage markers and disseminating an Indigenous educational toolkit.

Moccasin Identifier uses the distinct moccasins worn by Indigenous communities to mark sites where First Nations have deep, ancestral ties to the landscape. With renewed funding from the Greenbelt Foundation, Moccasin Identifier will continue to promote the history and presence of Indigenous Communities and Peoples across the Greenbelt and the Greater Golden Horseshoe. It also aligns with Foundation priorities to enhance Greenbelt tourism partnerships including sustainable recreation and tourism and Indigenous-led initiatives.

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INCREASING NATURAL COVER IN THE GREENBELT

The Greenbelt Foundation is committed to implementing native tree, shrub, and other vegetation plantings that increase natural cover in the Greenbelt and adjacent areas.

These efforts will have positive long-term impacts on public health, while improving access to greenspace, and increasing climate resilience for communities. The Foundation has initiated a major program with leading organizations such as Forests Ontario, Conservation Ontario, individual conservation authorities, local stewardship groups, and others to expand and accelerate tree planting across the Greenbelt. This is a critical activity to advance climate and biodiversity goals.

Did you know?

Forest cover in the Greater Golden Horseshoe currently stands below Environment and Climate Change Canada's 30 per cent target for healthy forests. Planting 54 million native trees will help us reach this target.

500,000 Trees with Forests Ontario

Through our partnership with Forests Ontario, the Foundation will advance natural infrastructure in the Greenbelt by increasing natural cover on private lands through tree planting. This supports regional and provincial climate change targets.

Growing the region's forests will increase healthy and resilient ecosystems in the Greenbelt and provide a multitude of other social, cultural, environmental, and economic benefits to the landscape and residents of the Greater Golden Horseshoe region.

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Our Vision for 54 Million Trees

Our vision, alongside our partners at the Southern Ontario Nature Coalition (SONC), Conservation Ontario, and Forests Ontario, is that 54 million native trees are needed in the Greater Golden Horseshoe (GGH). This action can prepare Canada's urban areas for the future and reverse biodiversity loss where it is most at risk.

Planting 54 million native trees in the Greenbelt and GGH is a key recommendation in the Southern Ontario Nature Coalition's (SONC) *Near-Urban Nature Network: A Solution for Climate Change and Biodiversity Loss*.

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Group shot of students and guest speakers

EcoSchools Greenbelt Action Card

Through a new program called “Taking Action in the Greenbelt,” EcoSchools Canada will teach students in the Greater Golden Horseshoe region about the importance of biodiversity and native plant species, while giving them hands-on experience planting trees, shrubs, and other native plants on their school grounds and lands within the broader community.

With support from the Greenbelt Foundation, EcoSchools Canada will develop tools and resources for students in kindergarten to grade 12 that will build their knowledge of plants and the surrounding ecosystems.

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Photo by Alderville Black Oak Savanna

Mitigomin Native Plant Nursery

Under the leadership of Alderville First Nation, the Mitigomin Native Plant Nursery (MNPN) will support the restoration efforts and Traditional Food Systems within the Rice Lake Plains. The Foundation's support of the Nursery will fund the initial coordination of the project, with the aim of an operational native plant nursery by 2023.

The Mitigomin Native Plant Nursery's 2,250 square feet of growing space will support Rice Lake Plains restoration efforts, climate change mitigation, endangered species, and ecosystem connectivity.

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LOCAL FOOD AND AGRICULTURE



The Greenbelt's agricultural system is the cornerstone of the rural economy and provides residents of the Greater Golden Horseshoe with a reliable and diverse source of local food and drink.

With the support of the Greenbelt Foundation and through its protected status, Ontario's Greenbelt preserves 750,000 acres of some of Canada's most fertile farmland within one of its most favourable growing climates. Greenbelt farmland is in close proximity to Canada's most densely populated region, making it a critical resource for advancing local food initiatives.

Did you know?

The Greenbelt includes Ontario's only two specialty crop areas—the Holland Marsh and the Niagara Tender Fruit and Grape Area—whose fertile soils and unique climate conditions allow Greenbelt farmers to grow over 50 per cent of the province's fruit acreage and 10 per cent of its vegetable acreage.

Understanding how Greenbelt Agriculture Feeds the Regional Economy

The Greenbelt's agri-food sector generated an estimated \$4.1 billion in GDP and close to 59,000 jobs in 2020, according to our new report, *Understanding how Greenbelt Agriculture Feeds the Regional Economy*.

In this report, the economic impact of primary agriculture was linked directly to other sectors of the economy. These economic benefits ripple through the Ontario economy and have a positive effect on people and businesses beyond the boundaries of the Greenbelt. A strong agricultural sector presents opportunities for growth and resilience in other segments of the economy and supports Ontario's strong emergence from the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Buchi Onakufe, Owner of Akachi Farms

Women in Agriculture

The Foundation increased education and awareness of female-identifying farmers working in Ontario's agriculture sector by launching its Women in Agriculture campaign during Women's History Month.

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The Business Case for Soil Health

A new study from the Greenbelt Foundation, in collaboration with researchers from the University of Guelph, finds that common practices to improve soil health make good business sense in Ontario.

This research is the first of its kind for southern Ontario. It finds that the broad adoption of on-farm soil health management practices such as crop rotation, cover cropping, and reduced tillage may have an upfront cost but a significant return on investment occurs after only a few years. For example, adding wheat to a typical corn-soy rotation could cost producers an additional \$9 per acre in year one. However, the compounding soil health benefits mean that by year four of the rotation, yields would be up for all crops and provide an extra \$52 per acre, or approximately 25 per cent in extra profit. These profits flow directly to farmers.

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Greenbelt Discovery Routes

Greenbelt Discovery Routes are 30 curated routes that span across the Greenbelt and make it easy for visitors to connect with local food producers, businesses, and agri-food experiences: from farm stands, to restaurants, to breweries and wineries.

The routes match existing Greenbelt cycling and hiking trails with local businesses. The much-used resource lives on the Foundation's website under an "Explore" page, which has been viewed over 5,500 times since the launch of the Discovery Routes in August 2021.

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Ontario Tender Fruit

With support from the Greenbelt Foundation, Ontario Tender Fruit Growers is strengthening the economic viability of Niagara's Tender Fruit sector by planting approximately 75,000 new trees and 10,000 new vines across the Niagara Tender Fruit and Grape Area, which is one of two specialty crop areas in the Greenbelt.

The program uses improved plant varieties that can withstand the extremes of climate change, provide a consistent supply of local fruit, meet increasing consumer demand, and net higher prices in the marketplace for farmers.

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SUPPORTING DIVERSE VOICES



Recent Foundation research has highlighted the inequities in access to nature for Black, Indigenous, and Visible Minority communities in our region. Changes in policy and parks planning is required to address this gap, and continued outreach and engagement with diverse communities is also required to ensure all Ontarians can access the benefits of nature.

The Greenbelt's Grant Funding Program encourages projects that support the interests and engagement of Black, Indigenous and Visible Minority communities. Cross-sector collaborations are encouraged and diversity, equity and inclusion goals for projects are recommended.

Did you know?

New Canadians are a fast-growing population in the Greater Toronto Area. However, research suggests that they visit parks and outdoor areas less often than those born in Canada.

Shake Up the Establishment Podcast Series

Podcast lovers, nature enthusiasts, and those wishing to learn more about the Greenbelt will enjoy listening to wide range of topics that delve into the features and benefits of the Greenbelt from a climate-action lens.

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Shared Path's Shared Land Map

Shared Path's Shared Land Map is an interactive map from Shared Path Consultation Initiative will enable First Nations in the Greater Golden Horseshoe to identify their territories and borders and support First Nations' participation in local planning decisions and streamline the municipal consultation process.

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Connecting Youth to Nature with Green Thumbs Growing Kids

This program is created to support Black and Indigenous youth to cultivate their connection to the nature found around and within them in creative and sustainable ways. The program will engage youth in building a sense of community and provide the opportunity to practice various skills that encourage healing.

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**PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND
CONNECTING WITH THE GREENBELT**



Through Public Outreach and Engagement, the Greenbelt Foundation deepens public understanding of the Greenbelt, as well as how it contributes to a prosperous and sustainable future. We continued to focus on building awareness and improving understanding of the Greenbelt.

2021–2022 Achievements

MEDIA

311,767,643

Readers Reached

2346

Greenbelt Mentions

100+

Earned Media Stories

COVERAGE

In Toronto Star, National Observer,
and Globe And Mail

SOCIAL

20K

Mentions

5.8 MILLION

Impressions

10.8K

New Followers

141K

Engagements

7,000+

Readers of Blog Series

Earth Rangers – Six Missions

The Foundation continues its support of Earth Ranger’s “Creating the Next Generation of Conservationists in Ontario” program, which builds on the success of Earth Ranger’s previous grant to engage kids and their families across the Greenbelt and Greater Golden Horseshoe.

This program increases awareness about the benefits provided by the Greenbelt among children aged 6-12 and their families. It includes a series of six community events that will be held in the spring and summer of 2022. Ontario families will be invited out in the Greenbelt for a day of fun, tangible learning and collectively take action to help the environment.

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Consider Nature Campaign

In spring of 2021, the Foundation's Public Outreach and Engagement team released a series of four animated videos that explore the different types of natural infrastructure that can be found right here in Ontario's Greenbelt, increasing public education and awareness of our natural systems.

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Friend of the Greenbelt Award

In January 2022, the Foundation was pleased to announce Conservation Ontario and Greenbelt Farmers' Market Network as recipients of the 2021 Friend of the Greenbelt Award.

The organizations were recognized for innovative solutions to COVID-19 response and recovery.

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Rivers for Resilience - Video Series and Interactive Map

In spring of 2021, the Foundation's Public Outreach and Engagement team, in collaboration with Park People, released *Rivers for Resilience*: a series of videos and campaign highlighting the environmental, social, and economic benefits of 21 Greenbelt protected urban river valleys.

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Our Partners and Donors

The Greenbelt Foundation's achievements would be impossible without the ongoing support of its partners, donors, and the dedicated governance of its Board of Directors.

Our partners include a range of organizations with whom we collaborate to fund key projects and support important research initiatives. Our work is also made possible by our dedicated individual donors and supporters. We thank all of you for your support and commitment.

The Greenbelt Foundation would like to pay special thanks to the Government of Ontario for their ongoing, committed support of our work. We would also like to thank Environment and Climate Change Canada and the Consecration Foundation for helping us to drive forward the protection of more near-urban natural spaces.



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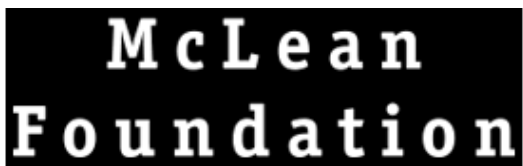
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Grantee List

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Prosperous Greenbelt

Berry Growers of Ontario

Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association

Corporation of the Town of Georgina

Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority

Greenbelt Markets

Green Thumbs Growing Kids

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

Niagara Peninsula Aspiring Global Geopark

Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation

Ontario Farmland Trust

Ontario Heritage Trust

Ontario Tender Fruit Growers

Plenty Canada

Shake Up The Establishment

The Shared Path Consultation Initiative

Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

Township of Uxbridge

Waterfront Regeneration Trust

Resilient Greenbelt

Alderville First Nation Black Oak Savanna

ALUS Canada

Carolinian Canada Coalition

EcoSchools Canada

EcoSpark Environmental Organization

Environment Hamilton

Earth Rangers

Farms At Work

Equal Ground Community Gardens

Forests Ontario

Grand River Environmental Network

Hamilton Conservation Foundation

Ontario Nature

Ontario Parks Association / GIO

Plenty Canada

Save the Oak Ridges Moraine

Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition

Smart Prosperity Institute

The Town of Lincoln

Wildlands League

The Sustainability Project (Former name: Grey Bruce Sustainability Network)

Expansion Consultation Fund

EcoSpark

Greenbelt West Coalition

Ontario Farmland Trust

Rescue Lake Simcoe Charitable Foundation

Wildlands League

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The Impacts of Linear Infrastructure Development on the Greenbelt

The Greenbelt Value of Nature Survey for Recreation in the Greater Golden

Horseshoe

The State of Ecosystem Compensation in the Greater Golden Horseshoe

Municipal Green and Natural Asset Management: Case Studies in the Greater Golden Horseshoe

Understanding How Greenbelt Agriculture Feeds the Regional Economy

Greenbelt Farmers: Economic Network Case Studies

Towards a Business Case for Soil Health: A Synthesis of Current Knowledge on the Economics of Soil Health Practices in Ontario

Greenbelt Foundation Large Parks Community Needs Analysis and Planned Parkland Inventory: Technical Report

Improving Access to Large Parks in Ontario's Golden Horseshoe: Policy, Planning, and Funding Strategies

Financials

In 2021–2022, the Greenbelt Foundation invested in a range of key partnerships, educational initiatives, research and policy work, and community programs.

Year ended March 31, 2022 / Our charitable ratio: 87 per cent



EXPENDITURES



PROGRAM ACTIVITIES



GRANTS
\$2,096,530

AWARENESS & EDUCATION
\$869,143

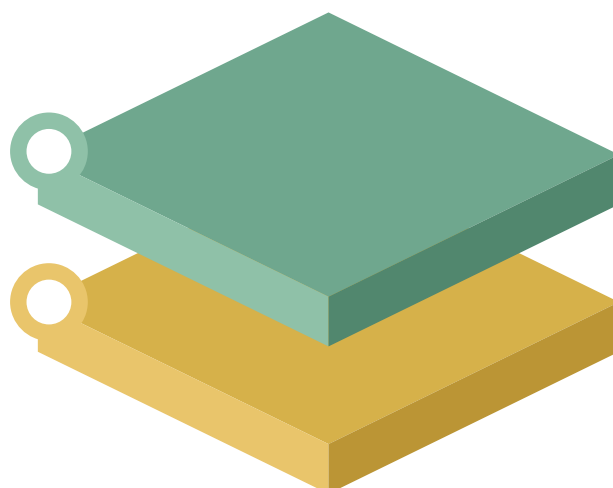
RESEARCH & POLICY
\$675,075

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS
\$865,410

SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES

MANAGEMENT & GENERAL
\$536,834

**FUNDRAISING,
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**
\$132,246



* Each year, KPMG audits our financial records. Our full financial audit can be found online at [greenbelt.ca/accountability](https://www.greenbelt.ca/accountability)

Thank You

The Greenbelt Foundation is made up of a vibrant team of program leaders, research and policy experts, development and communications advisors, and much more. We come together with varied expertise to support a unified vision of keeping the Greenbelt a healthy, resilient, and productive working landscape for Ontario—and one of Canada's best resources in addressing climate change. We would not be able to achieve any of our work without the dedicated support of our funders, partners, and community members like you.



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