

The seeds of our future are taking root right now, for better or worse. This page shares better, forward-thinking ideas and celebrates significant environmental achievements that can help us lead the way in creating the Niagara Escarpment as a healthy, sustainable example of a thriving World Biosphere Reserve.

BRUCE TRAIL'S FIVE NEW RESERVES

In less than 90 days, Bruce Trail Conservancy donors raised \$1.3 million for five new nature reserves: Cedar Springs Woods in Burlington, Songbird Nature Reserve in Caledon, and three in Beaver Valley: Fairmount Wetland in Epping, Kimberley Springs in Kimberley, and Pinnacle Rock in Kolapore. This **permanently preserves 292 acres of Niagara Escarpment land** for conservation.

FREE VEHICLE CHARGING

Hilton Garden Inn in Niagara-on-the-Lake recently installed an **electric vehicle charging station to provide free electricity** for hotel guests needing to charge their cars.

Hilton Garden Inn is one location being promoted by Sun Country Highway in their World's Largest/Greenest Highway Project to let electric vehicle owners travel all across Canada emissions-free and with free electricity.

NESTS FOR NATIVE SOLITARY BEES

Pollen Bee Nest has been given an international "stamp of approval" by The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation's Pollinator Conservation Program. The Society calls the Pollen Bee Nest "**a great alternative native bee nesting solution** for use by homeowners and urban residents."

COOTES TO ESCARPMENT DUNDAS ECOPARK

Royal Botanical Gardens, Hamilton Conservation, Conservation Halton, McMaster University and other community partners are creating the Dundas EcoPark, a 3,325-acre urban park from the Niagara Escarpment to Cootes Marsh, and Dundas to Hwy 6. This will be **one of the largest urban eco-parks in Ontario**. The Government of Canada has promised a grant of \$502,274. Fundraising details are at DundasEcoPark.ca or 905.525.2181 x 111.

