

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.

50 MILLION TREES FOR ONTARIO

Trees Ontario intends to plant 50 million trees by 2025 with **significant numbers planned or already planted in areas close to the Niagara Escarpment**. Roughly three million trees are being planted each year across the province.

LOCAL PRODUCE DONATED

BurlingtonGreen Community Garden donated more than 892 lbs. of **locally grown, chemical-free produce from their Central Park Community Garden**, to their local food banks.

CERTIFIED SUSTAINABLE

Sustainable, locally grown food is being identified by Local Food Plus, which certifies farmers who use **sustainable practices including ecological preservation, pesticide avoidance and animal welfare**. Details are at localfoodplus.ca.

FRUIT TREE TRAIL IN NIAGARA

GREENing Niagara, formerly Climate Action Niagara, hopes to create Niagara's Fruit Tree Trail in public areas along 12 Mile Creek, St. Catharines. **Abandoned fruit trees will be revitalized** for free snacking, with excess produce harvested by The Garden of Eating Niagara and donated to community shelters. Funds and volunteer help are needed. See climateactionniagara.ca or call 289.434.0474.