









Sustainable Gardening and Nature-based Education

GreenUP Ecology Park is an award winning example of blending environmental education, community involvement, urban forestry and attractive landscaping.

Thousands of people visit GreenUP Ecology Park each year to learn about composting, habitat enhancement, alternatives to pesticides, and to purchase composters, compost, native trees and shrubs and to learn about synthetic-free gardening.

The park is a popular destination in the spring and fall when schools bring their **students** for curriculum-based learning activities. The learning continues during the summer as GreenUP presents its summer learning education programs.









GreenUP Ecology Park began as a demonstration garden and still has a garden where old and young can learn.

GreenUP is one of the founding organizations of the **Peterborough Community Garden Network.** The PCGN is housed at GreenUP and assists residents and oganizations who want to organize their neighbours to grow vegetables.

GreenUP is working with private and public sector partners to establish a number of seed banks throughout the region.









Home Energy Efficiency Services

GreenUP locally delivered the Government of Canada's ecoENERGY Retrofit-Homes and its predecessor Energuide for Houses for years.

Enbridge Gas Distribution Home Weatherization Program

Save on energy Home Assistance Program is managed by GreenUP locally in Peterborough, Lakefield and Norwood. A significant impact on social housing

These programs helped thousands of local homeowners save money on heating bills, create a more comfortable home and cut back on greenhouse gas emissions.

The programs also brought millions of dollars into the local economy







Climate Change and Air Quality Education

Cool Captain Climate, an orange spandex-clad superhero, has become a bit of a celebrity in Peterborough. His live show has been performed for thousands local students, educating them on the importance of active and sustainable transportation, reducing their carbon footprint and spreading the word about climate change solutions.

Peterborough Moves is a comprehensive awareness program promoting active and efficient transportation in Peterborough, with GreenUP being a founding partner. Peterborough Moves seeks to educate all levels of the community on the benefits of leaving the car at home and getting around the community using sustainable modes of transportation like biking, walking or using public transit.









Water Protection and Conservation Programs

In the past, GreenUP launched a program that focused on shoreline properties and a consultation service performed by staff for urban, rural and shoreline properties. The property owner learned about the impacts of actions on shorelines, how to maintain a healthy shoreline and septic system best practices. That program is carried on today by the **Lakeland Alliance**.

GreenUP is a founding partner of the **Peterborough Children's Water Festival.** The Festival is a two-day educational event for students in grades 3 to 6. The students participate in hands-on, interactive educational activities to help them learn about water, where it comes from, why it's important.









Waste Reduction Initiatives

GreenUP's waste reduction initiatives are to encourage the Five R's (Reduce, Reuse, Refuse, Rethink, Recycle) as well as composting. Our educators visit dozens of local schools to get students involved in classroom activities with our curriculum-linked school programs such as the **Award winning Recycle Rangers Planet Protectors Program.**

A Fee-for-service agreement with the four municipalities

GreenUP also offers workshops on vermicomposting (composting with worms) and has become a major community resource for waste reduction questions.









Community Outreach / Education

GreenUP reaches a wide audience with its communications. We have a weekly column in the Peterborough Examiner, as well as a weekly segment on CHEX-TV's 5:00 newscast to further educate the wider community on issues of environmental importance.

Our staff are regularly involved in the community providing presentations and support to existing and emerging groups.









Asset Based Community Development - a positive approach to building a more sustainable community.

GreenUp is focused on finding and building on the strengths within our community.

These assets are the building blocks of a sustainable community so we are committed to partnering strategically with institutions and grassroots initiatives to help build a more vibrant City and County

We are developing the **Pollination Partners** program to link City and County residents in stewarding native plant and seed production. Spring 2014









We are facilitating with partners the **Steamworks Makerspace** to bring science, technology, engineering and art together in one space for young people. 2014

The **Repair Café** will open shop in February providing a place for people to learn with others how to repair broken household items, small appliances, clothing and electronics.

The **Peterborough Tool Library** is also in development to create a membership based tool library for Peterborough in 2014.











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