



*...enhancing Niagara naturally
for the enjoyment of present
and future generations.*



LAND CARE NIAGARA

creating a healthy & sustainable environment

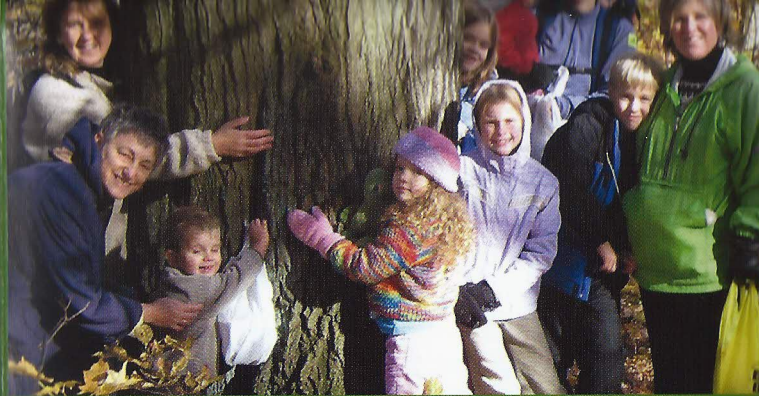
Since 1995 Land Care Niagara (LCN) has been committed to creating healthy and sustainable rural and urban environments, consisting of citizens who are knowledgeable and active in land resource management.



LCN is one of 46 Stewardship Councils throughout Ontario that form the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Ontario Stewardship Network.

Each Council is comprised of dedicated volunteers that share an interest in conservation and a respect for land ownership.

Council Members identify stewardship issues important to the community. Members listen to other viewpoints, work in the community to pool available resources, and collectively arrive at practical and workable solutions.



We are all stewards of Niagara's natural resources

Residents of Niagara take great pride in their land, whether hiking on the trails, fishing in the creeks, hunting in their woodlot, relaxing under a park tree or eating fresh vegetables from the market.

They make the most of their natural world and share their long traditions of outdoor recreation with the next generation. With this love of the outdoors they believe in the role of individuals to be stewards of the Region's natural resources.

However as cities and towns expand into areas that are now forest, field, and pasture, greater demands are placed on our urban and rural environments. LCN has been addressing these issues by working with landowners, the public, and others to engage in cooperative land stewardship activities.

Public Outreach, Communication, Education

LCN helps landowners and the public to engage in cooperative conservation by:

- Creating a forum through which community stakeholders can work collaboratively toward the achievement of common land and resource stewardship objectives
- Developing resources that help engage, inform and enable individuals and organizations to become better land stewards
- Providing information exchange through public presentations and the development and distribution of information products
- Sharing expertise on area issues by participating on local committees, forums, and events
- Providing access to environmental and natural resource management programs, services and funding

Youth

Real-life, hands-on learning is the best way to engage and teach youth. LCN provides opportunities for young people to make a positive difference to the environment and to their communities through the following programs and activities:

- Hooked on Fishing not on Drugs®
- Wood Working for Nature
- Home School Outdoor Education
- Ontario Stewardship Rangers
- Earth Day events
- Native tree and wildflower planting
- Funding and in-kind support for youth organizations and initiatives such as the Ontario Envirothon



Eco-Inclusion – Everyone can help

Every action counts! LCN provides opportunities for all residents to become involved through our 'hands'-on' programs. Individuals, organizations, corporations, and media can also help by:

- Volunteering time and expertise as a LCN Stewardship Council Member or on a specific project or program
- Becoming a Re-Leaf Niagara tree mentor or recipient
- Collaborating with us on fundraising efforts
- Making a financial contribution towards a specific project or program
- Spread the word

To learn more

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