## Yorklands Green Hub has some very exciting news!

We are thrilled to announce that Yorklands Green Hub has received a \$72,000 grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF). The OTF is an agency of the Government of Ontario, and one of Canada's leading granting foundations. OTF awarded \$108 million to 629 projects last year to build healthy and vibrant communities in Ontario. Thanks to the OTF grant we have started to take important steps forward to realizing our vision.



As part of the OTF grant, we are happy to announce that we have hired Amy Barnes M.A. CAHP, as our new Outreach and Engagement Coordinator. Amy brings with her ten years of experience working in the field of heritage conservation, land use planning, consulting, and public engagement. She will help our organization continue to build relationships, grow partnerships, explore new opportunities, and provide organizational and operational advice. Amy will also serve as a point-of-contact for our existing and new members and the general public. We are excited to have Amy on board.

## Sounds pretty good right? Well, it gets even better!

As part of the OTF grant, we are excited to announce that we will be working with Scaled Purpose Inc., a Kitchener based consulting company. Scaled Purpose Inc. will provide our organization with a well-researched feasibility study which explores possible governance models. We will work with them to design and execute meaningful stakeholder engagement while evaluating these potential governance models. Scaled Purpose Inc. will help us to develop a solid strategy for moving forward.

## So, when can you hear the results of all the work being carried out?

We plan to share the findings with our members at the Annual General Meeting which is scheduled for April 2020. The AGM will also provide us an opportunity to celebrate and recognize the support of the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

We are excited to continue the journey of turning our vision into a reality!

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

Norah Chaloner Chair



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