

THIS EVENT IS FOR YOU IF:

- you want to learn more about local environmental groups and initiatives.
- you want to meet people who are working to grow sustainable green communities.
- you want to connect with others who share common interests in sustainable development, housing, water protection, food security, climate change, community health and wellbeing.

6:15 – 7:00 PM: NETWORKING & INFORMATION SHARING TABLES (+ SNACKS!)

7:00 – Welcome and Opening

BOB CRATE (Mayor of Trent Hills) and HEIDI SCHAEFFER (Event Host)

7:15 – 8:10 PM: PANEL PRESENTATIONS AND Q & A

HEATHER RAY / Director of Programs, Peterborough Greenup. Sustainable Urban Neighborhoods (SUN) model. Water Action Plan in Warsaw, Ontario & possibilities for Climate Action Planning in Trent Hills.

SOREN CHRISTIANSON / Project Manager, Climate Leadership, City of Kingston, First Municipality to declare a climate emergency. Current priorities and Energy Retrofit Program.

AMANDA SOLMES / Director, Incredible Edibles, Local Sustainable Food Movement. Campbellford Community Gardens and Local Food in Schools Program.

EWA BEDNARCZUK, Ecologist at Lower Trent Conservation Authority on East Central Farm Stewardship Collaborative of Organic Council of Ontario. .

8:10 – 8:25 PM: LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PRIORITIES

HEIDI SCHAEFFER / Founder, Advancing Change Together. Report findings from Campbellford Seymour Community Foundation Vital Conversation about the Environment (2021)

8:25 – 8:50 PM: FACILITATED SMALL GROUP CONVERSATIONS

- 1. **Environmental leadership**: environmental awareness, advocating for sustainable development and protecting farmland and ecosystems.
- 2. Consumer activism: Single use plastics, biodegradable/non-toxic products, zero waste and recycling.
- 3. **Resilient food systems**: Healthy clean soil, fresh water, regenerative farming, buying local food.
- 4. **Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions** (GHGs) Energy conservation, climate change planning, public and active transportation.

8:50 PM: NEXT STEPS FOR COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS AND CLOSE