

For the Community



Your community is the perfect place to Go for Green! Start at home by incorporating the concepts of active living while protecting, enhancing or restoring the environment. Work together with neighbours and friends to organize a Go for Green project or to place an event. The following are just some of the many possibilities for your community to Go for Green :

- Hold a litter free picnic after participating in a mass neighbourhood clean up.
- Start a multi-family garden project and learn how to garden without chemicals.
- Adopt a park, ditch or canoe route and keep it clean and safe for everyone to enjoy.
- Hold a community garage sale (lots of reusable items) and use the money to « green » your neighbourhood with more trees and beautiful flowers.
- Organize a Park (« block ») Party! The main event can be friends and neighbours participating in a « Walking Poker Derby » at a local park.
- Get together with gardeners in the area and learn about how to participate in the Communities in Bloom program. Enjoy the power of flowers.
- Kick start the summer with an awareness seminar on safe cycling practices on and off the road. Invite community experts to give safety tips and demonstrations.
- Organize a walking and cycling group for daily, weekly, and monthly outings.
- Involve other neighbourhoods with a clean and « green » challenge.
- Work with local community groups such as Girl Guides, 4-H clubs and Boy Scouts to plant trees or even create a park.
- Develop a walking path or trail dedicated to active living in the environment with the help of community businesses and other groups and organizations.
- Identify an area in your neighbourhood that could use a little « greening ». A deserted lot, abandoned building or undeveloped space (provided the proper authorization is granted) could be an excellent Go for Green Celebration event.
- Organize a community walk with local experts to identify native varieties of flora, fauna, birds and bugs.
- Challenge other communities to Go for Green.

Recommended Resources:

- Active & Safe Routes to School Program call 1-888-822-2848
- Walk and Roll, A Guide to Active Transportation to, from and at the Workplace
- Developing Communities for Active Transportation
- Great Green Ideas Linking the Environment, Recreation and Sport

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