

Parkdale Green Space Declaration



Green Space

Green space is any public or private space with natural or planted vegetation in an urban or rural setting that can contribute to the physical, social, economic, and environmental well-being of a community.

The community can play a role in promoting social inclusion and enhancing social networks that can be beneficial toward gaining a sense of ownership and belonging within the community. This sense of belonging can be achieved through the development and preservation of community green spaces.

Green spaces are important components of a community. They provide a sense of community belonging, satisfaction, and pride. Green spaces can be used to educate, for healing and therapy, and for leisure purposes. Benefits of green space include:

- promoting good health and well-being
- bringing community members together
- decreasing crime
- increasing physical activity
- providing a healthy source of food
- attracting businesses, visitors, and residents



The Parkdale Green Space Declaration affirms that Parkdale community members are entitled to green spaces and all the associated benefits. This declaration is a tool to support and champion new and existing green spaces through influencing policy making, city planning, and community activism.