

Executive Summary

In recent years, the effects of climate change have become more and more apparent, with many communities all around the world experiencing wetter, windier, and wilder weather, which can only be explained by increased concentrations of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere caused by human activity. Recently, the Halton Region and all of its constituent municipalities, have all declared a climate emergency, officially recognizing and acknowledging the true climate crisis we are facing today. As such, we must each take action now and work towards a healthier, more sustainable future for our generation and the generations to come.

Generation Green Youth Un-conference

On November 22, 2019, the Halton Climate Collective Youth Stakeholders are hosting the Generation Green Youth Un-conference, an event designed **by youth for youth**, where students are given the **tools, resources, and inspiration** to empower them to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions in order to drive change and action in their communities. Throughout the day, students will hear from keynote speaker, The Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Panel speakers Chief R. Stacey Laforme, Dr. Dan Scott, and Frances Edmonds, and several other community leaders, engagers, and experts in the students' choice of 14 different workshops!

Your Mission



At the end of the day, the students will go back to their communities to implement a community initiative that will reduce their greenhouse gas emissions. Their mission is to **brainstorm, plan, and execute** a greenhouse gas emission reduction program in their communities, and **measure** their impact using the skills and tools learned at the Generation Green Youth Un-Conference and in this toolkit. On March 24, 2020, students will return following the completion of their projects to share their results with their peers at the Generation Green Wrap-up event, where we will reveal the collective impact that the students of Generation Green have made across the community of Halton.



Additional Support

The Halton Climate Collective is committed to providing students with guidance and support throughout the implementation of their community projects. Not only will students have access to this toolkit, including detailed workshop summaries, but they will also have access to bi-weekly support webinars with a Q&A period, and an opportunity for 1-on-1 meetings with HCC staff for additional support. For any questions, comments, or concerns, students are encouraged to contact Alana Wong at alana@haltonenvironment.ca or Afreen Ghouse at afreen@haltonenvironment.ca.

Stay Connected

Stay up to date on the webinar series and Spring wrap-up event! Be sure to regularly check your email, and stay in touch with us on Social Media:

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This toolkit along with all other Generation Green resources will be posted to the Halton Climate Collective's website, www.climatecollective.ca.