

Appendix 'D'- Municipal Park Ambassador Programs

Municipality	Year Started	Partnerships	Mandate
Vaughan	2007	YRP, Corporate sponsorships	Conduct safety audits of parks.
Barrie	Proposed 2011	Barrie Police	Residents/groups (over 18 years of age) "adopt a park" and report damage or criminal activity in parks, as well as keeping the park clean.
Richmond Hill	2008	Pilot project with YRP	Identifying vandalism and maintenance concerns. Must be 18 years of age or older to participate.
Mississauga	none	Park Watch	City provides 24 hour "hot-line" to call in to report suspicious activity, damage etc.
Aurora	Proposed 2011	YRP	Not yet established – in talks with YRP
Toronto	none		No immediate plans to introduce this program.
Windsor- Bike Ambassador Program	2004		Promote bicycle safety through education and community activities; increase compliance with the Highway Traffic Act by all users; safe and responsible trail use in parks and environmentally sensitive areas.
Ottawa-Carleton Street Ambassador Program	1997	Police, Social Services, Health	To address the problem of aggressive panhandlers through the visual presence of teams of "good will" ambassadors, providing residents and visitors with tourist information as well as information on existing social programs. Ambassadors identify aggressive panhandlers, communicate the zero tolerance message on aggressiveness and provide a link with the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Police Service.
Rouge Park Alliance	Proposed 2011		Public education, welcoming to Park, suggestions on trails/ paths for visitors to take, nature interpretation, observe & report suspicious activities, to receive first aid training
Banff National Park			Speaking with visitors, answering basic questions, promoting park learning experiences and activities, modeling ideal park etiquette, and reporting any problems that could threaten the health and well-being of people and park resources.