

Earth Hour 2026



**Deputation to Council
Town of The Blue Mountains**

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Join the **Biggest** **Hour for Earth**

8.30pm 28th March 2026

About This Presentation

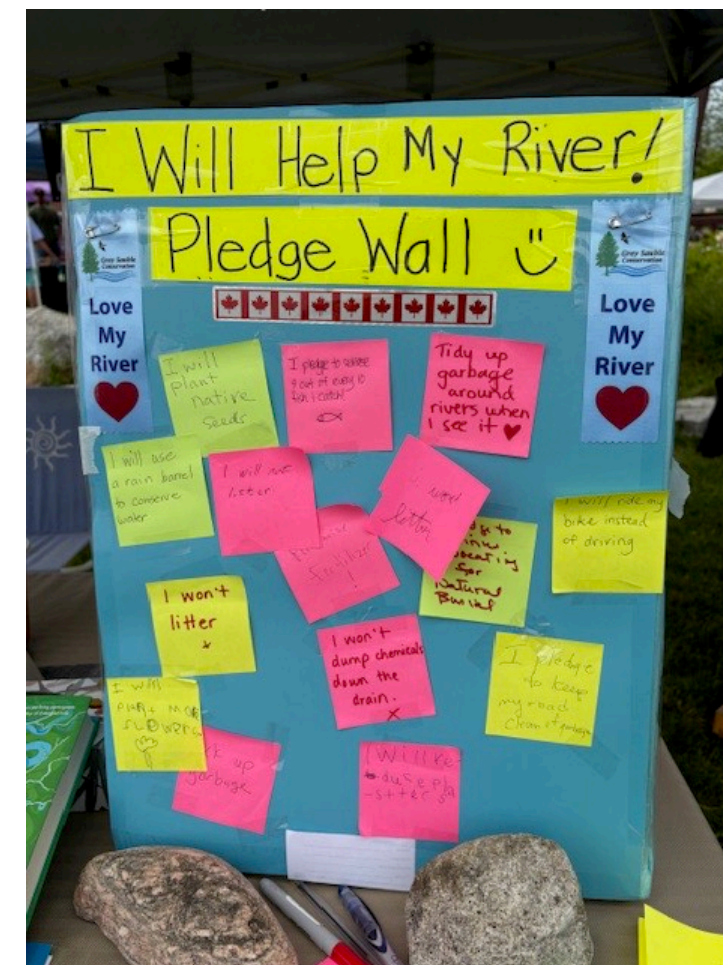
CANN is a volunteer group in the Town of the Blue Mountains with the goal of reducing climate pollution in our corner of the planet and working together towards a more sustainable community.

We have **30** members, **60** active followers, **200** people on our mailing list



2025 Community Engagement Accomplishments

- Over 400 visitors to our booths at the Thornbury Farmers' Markets, Fall Fair, Watershed Festival and Sustainability Forum
- 90 rain barrels during Earth Week
- Earth Hour proclamation by the Town
- Naturalize Your Yard program
- 6th Town Wide Clean-up - diverted 70 lbs of garbage and 15lbs of recyclables



2025 Community Engagement Accomplishments (cont'd)

- **Tiny Forest maintenance, promotion and signage**
- **Strong Social media presence**
- **Beaver River Trail Working Group**
- **3 Newsletters**
- **Green burial**
- **5 Deputations at Council**
- **Green Economy Hub**



2026 Plans and Programs: January - June

- **Earth Hour – March 28, 2026**
- **Earth Week – Town-wide Clean-up**
- **Library/BVO/CANN promotion of Circular Economy**
- **Educational Program liaison with Beaver Valley Community School**
- **Increased social media presence**
- **3 newsletters**
- **Engagement activities at Farmers Market, booths at Fairs and Events**
- **Tiny Forest educational programs**
- **Educational sessions – Green Burial**
- **Tree Canopy Coalition**



THANK YOU TBM!

We value working with you towards a more sustainable community:

- **Beaver River Trail**
- **Green Burial site**
- **Corporate Strategic Plan**
- **Nature-based initiatives in program implementation**
- **TC Energy resolution**
- **Partner in our Town wide Clean-Up and Sustainability Initiatives**



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- **Earth Hour is one of the largest, positive, global grassroots movements aimed at environmental change**
- **The smallest change can have the biggest impact**
- **We need to stand together to make real change to help combat climate change**
- **Earth Hour is not just about switching off our lights for one hour – it's a symbol for hope that collectively we can make a positive impact on our wonderful Town and our planet.**



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- Support TBM Families on March 28, who will be:
 - Turning off their lights and screens and stepping outside to enjoy the stars
 - Discussing what more we can do and what changes we can make
 - Checking out CANN’s website and social media for tips and ideas on how to reduce carbon pollution

OUR ASK:

- PROCLAIM Earth Hour 2026: March 28 8:30 – 9:30 p.m.
- Promote Earth Hour on the Town Website and emails

