



TRANSITION TO LESS WASTE

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Transition in Your Community

2001 - Our Festival Waste Reduction Program began with TTLW's founding family, Mike & Emma Farlow, diverting recyclables at Ingersoll's Canterbury Folk Festival. This has grown into our full program of lending reusable dishware, providing dishwashing services at our solar-powered station, recyclable item and compost diversion, and free filtered water re-fill stations.

2004 - TTLW participated in the building & testing of home wind turbines with Windchasers from the Tillsonburg area.

2006 - We converted a gas powered Jeep to electric. Followed by an electric pickup truck conversion in 2007.

2009 - TTLW participated in the building of a zero footprint rammed earth eco-home in Norfolk County.

2012 - We drafted a proposal for Ingersoll and SWOX called "Environmental Sustainability: Water Protection and Transition to Less Waste Action Plan".

2014/2015 - TTLW received a grant from the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities to provide a one-year job opportunity for 10 community members interested in researching environmental sustainability.

2015 - Participated in the design of the Future Oxford Community Sustainability Plan. Created a community garden. Built an organic Community Demonstration Garden in downtown Ingersoll. Donated a wind turbine.

2016/2017 - TTLW provides consultation to the Zero Waste Oxford Committee.

Ongoing - Besides our work greening local events, we also provide research reports on various aspects of sustainable & resilient communities, such as: Land use, air quality, water protection and waste diversion.

2016 Successes in Review

In the summer & fall of 2016, our Community Demonstration Garden thrived, providing free organic tomatoes and companion planted basil for passers-by to snack on!

We had a tremendously successful Festival Waste Reduction Program in the 2016 season thanks to our volunteers & sponsors! TTLW's team of fearless volunteers was able to reach an approximately 91% waste diversion rate at the Canterbury Folk Festival, well on our way to achieving our Zero Waste target! Thank you, TTLW volunteers for all of the efforts that led to your astounding & inspiring accomplishment!