



ONTARIO FOOD
COLLABORATIVE

Members Update
November 15, 2023

The Ontario Food Collaborative (OFC) is an association of waste management, public health, community-based and academic partners working to improve food literacy to reduce food waste.

Brings together diverse food system **stakeholders** committed to advancing food literacy, food waste and healthy eating promotion.

Focuses on advancing **food literacy** by linking post-consumer food waste reduction and healthy eating strategies.



Takes a **holistic food systems** approach in supporting individuals and families to eat well and prevent avoidable food waste.

Shares resources, information and expertise to advocate for food literacy and support food waste prevention.



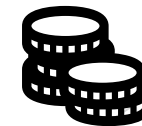
Network & Partnerships



Information Sharing



Policy, Advocacy & Research



Sustainable Funding



Our Accomplishments in 2023

Green from Home



**Green from Home
Workshop**

powered by
**PROJECT
nøutral**

**May 30, 2023
12-1pm (EST)**

**Have you ever wondered
how your daily lifestyle
impacts climate change?**

In this interactive session,
we'll get to know our climate
impacts and find out where
we can take action to make
a difference!



Katie Harper
Workshop Facilitator

- ▶ Our climate webinar featuring Project Neutral
- ▶ Learned:
 - ▶ The basics of climate change
 - ▶ The role of our food choices and role food waste has on climate change
 - ▶ How to measure our household carbon footprint
 - ▶ Ways to make a positive impact - at home, work and in community

Transforming the Food System: Using Doughnut Economics and Design Thinking for Positive Change



WEBINAR
TRANSFORMING THE FOOD SYSTEM:
USING DOUGHNUT ECONOMICS AND DESIGN THINKING FOR POSITIVE CHANGE!
2 PARTS:
September 21, 12-1pm EST
September 27, 12-1pm EST



MURYANI KASDANI
BEHAVIOUR DESIGNER & STRATEGIST
Regenerative Space



TARA CAMPBELL
WELLBEING ECONOMIES
MANAGER



DAVID SUZUKI
FOUNDATION
One nature.



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- ▶ Partnered with David Suzuki Foundation and Regenerative Space
- ▶ Practical application of the doughnut economy and design thinking concepts
- ▶ Doughnut Economy: Living within the planetary boundaries of the planet and meeting the social foundations for humanity
- ▶ Wellbeing Economies - moves from the current mindset of colonial, consumerism to a regenerative, caring approach

Looking back at past 12-months

Advocated for a National School Food Policy

Supported the University of Guelph's Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Project Grant application "Supper Heroes"

Applied to ECCC's Food Waste and Diversion Research and Capacity Building Fund

3rd Annual Symposium

Updating our Members Resource Library

Strategic Planning Phase 1 - Vision and Mission

Our Vision

- ▶ A food system for all that supports eating well, prevents food waste and conserves resources.

Our Mission

- ▶ To be a resource that supports, educates and empowers through advocacy, knowledge sharing and network building focused on food literacy, and food waste prevention to achieve a sustainable food system.

What's In Store for 2024



Looking to what's ahead for 2024

New OFC Chair

New Strategic Plan

Phased Roll-out of New Membership Model

Food Waste Reduction Messaging Guide

Food Loss and Waste Reduction Action Plan

4th Annual Symposium

Development of Food Literacy Toolkit

OFC Steering Committee



Hana Omar
City of Toronto



Ellen Lakusiak
Middlesex-London
Health Unit



D. Trevor Barton
Municipal Waste
Association



Sherri Tait
Niagara Region



Heidi Levitzky
Niagara Region



Cynthia Lucar Diaz (Chair)
Regional Municipality
of Peel



Julie Hordowick
Regional Municipality
of York



Candice Einstoss
Regional Municipality
of York



Katrina McGuire
Municipal Waste
Association

Get involved!

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Join Us

Register your membership, create an account, and access all the tools and features of the OFC Members Portal: ontariofoodcollaborative.ca/join

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Working Groups – Call for Volunteers

We've identified four working groups for this year, and we're looking for some volunteers to help us move some our plans forward.

- Membership and Fundraising
- Communications
- Advocacy and Research
- Annual General Meeting and Symposium



Thank you!