



## WHAT HAS BURNABY ACCOMPLISHED ALREADY?

The City of Burnaby has already demonstrated leadership in many areas of sustainability, including the following examples.

- Created a ***“smart” urban structure*** of four mixed-use, high-density Town Centres that are well served by SkyTrain and a wide range of other amenities, as well as 11 Urban Villages that also provide a range of services and are well served by transit.
- Protected over ***25% of the City’s land base as park, greenspace, and conservation areas*** including open watercourses, lakes/wetlands, shorelines and forested areas.
- Established an ***Open Watercourse Policy*** in 1973, leading to the preservation, stewardship and enhancement of over 90 distinct streams in the City.
- Integrated ***ecosystem based management*** in all the City’s operations and planning, including watershed planning, protection of ecologically sensitive areas, and development review for ecosystem enhancement opportunities.
- Established a City ***“Green Team”*** that reviews and acts on opportunities for reducing waste and energy use in City purchasing and operations.
- Enhanced ***streamside areas and water quality*** with development of public facilities and infrastructure, such as: invasive species control along the Central Valley Greenway urban trail; construction of the Stride Avenue Rainwater Management Amenity; enhancement of Still Creek next to the new City Recycling Centre.
- Worked with private developers to ***restore key ecosystems***, such as: forest enhancement at Electronic Arts; Chub Creek enhancement in Brentwood Town Centre; creek restoration next to Burnaby Central Secondary School; Byrne Creek daylighting near Stride Ave.
- Supported ***sustainable transportation***, for example: urban trails for walking and cycling; encouraging the use of transit; and designing and building “complete streets” and public realm enhancements in Town Centres (including providing for all roadway uses and modes, rainwater management, street trees and habitat, public art and gathering spaces).
- Encouraged and supported the development of ***green buildings*** on private and City lands which help to conserve water and energy, reduce waste in materials, and provide healthy places to work, learn and relax.
- Worked with Simon Fraser University to develop the award-winning UniverCity community on Burnaby Mountain, a ***“complete community”*** that supports the health of surrounding ecosystems, reduces carbon emissions and increases transit use by residents.
- Celebrated Burnaby’s ***environmental achievements*** in annual events including Environment Week and World Rivers Day.
- ***Partnered with community groups*** and other government agencies to protect, monitor and restore natural areas.

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