Hamilton Port Authority

2017 Sustainability Report Highlights

SOCIAL & COMMUNITY

Building awareness and pride in our Port City

- In 2017, HPA hosted public tours of the port, and participated in community festivals, creating opportunities to educate and celebrate the role the port plays in our community. These included the 2017 Tall Ships visit, the Keith Hub Strawberry Festival and Doors Open.

Improving the port-city interface

- To improve public access, HPA created a new public lookout on the harbour at Pier 15.
- In partnership with Collective Arts Brewing, the port’s Burlington St. complex now features a large and colourful mural, helping animate this important transitional space at the gateway to the West Harbour.

Community connections & investments

- Leading $30,000/3-yr donation to Royal Botanical Gardens’ Rock Garden redevelopment
- $15,000 in support of the Mission to Seafarers Southern Ontario
- All cash & in-kind donations in 2017: $222,000; Five-year total: $1.1 million

Investing in education

- HPA is working in partnership with Mohawk College to create pathways from neighbourhood to education to employment in transportation-related jobs.
- $10,000 support for City School by Mohawk’s Trades Lab
- Partnered on a new Supply Chain Management post-graduate certificate at Mohawk College, and donated $20,000 toward a student award fund.
ENVIRONMENT

Transparency
- In 2017, HPA began proactively posting project information on its website for all projects requiring an Environmental Effects Determination (EED).

Biodiversity
- Sherman Inlet shoreline restoration project initiated
- Pollinator garden planted, in partnership with Pollinator Paradise Project

Air quality
- Steps to reduce truck queuing and idling
- Increased street sweeping on HPA internal roads and fewer areas of unpaved gravel
- Convened terminal operators working group to share best practices

Water quality
- Partner in Randle Reef sediment remediation project
- Spills prevention action plan for all HPA lands

Reducing waste and energy consumption
- Benchmark-setting waste audit conducted in 2017
- Eight energy-saving projects implemented in 2017, saving 375,000 kWh/yr
- 55 energy-saving projects implemented in the last five years, saving enough annually to power 187 homes

Partnerships
Working with tenants, industry partners and community organizations to improve environmental outcomes:
- Environmental Excellence Award
- Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan
- Team Up to Clean Up
- Bicycle-friendly business

FINANCIAL & ECONOMIC

Organizational financial health
- 100% self-funded
- $10 million in infrastructure reinvestment by HPA in 2017
- Positive trends in operating revenue and operating income over five years

Supporting regional economic prosperity
- $6 million in local taxes to City of Hamilton
- On-site activity connected to $400 million in Ontario GDP
- Cargo connected to $6 billion in economic activity in Ontario

Jobs & employment
- 2,100 jobs on-site at the Port of Hamilton
- Wages typically 20% higher than the Ontario average
- On-site employment has grown 30% since 2009
- Employees at the Port of Hamilton inject $261 million annually into the local economy each year through personal spending

Supporting local business
- 82% of HPA purchases are local (Hamilton, Halton, Niagara, Brantford) (by dollar value)

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