





Creating vibrant and healthy communities by transforming pavement into green space.





#### What is Depave Paradise?

At Depave Paradise events, local volunteers gather to reclaim the soil. Using pry bars and shovels, community members break up an area of unused pavement and turn it into living green space.







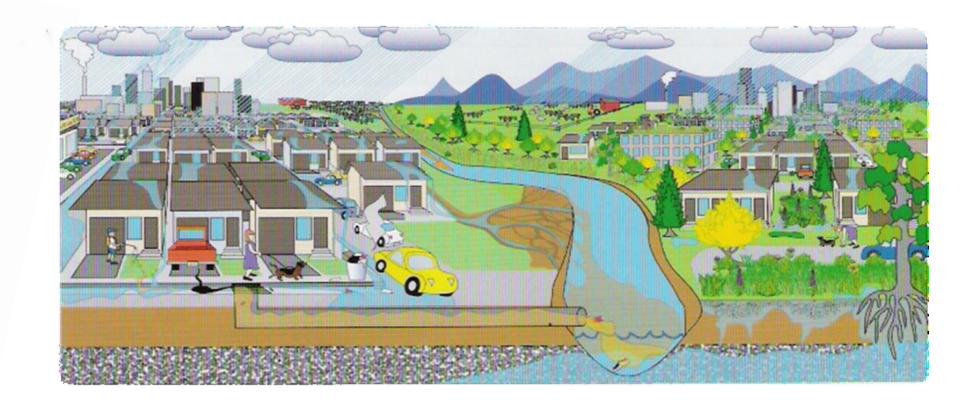






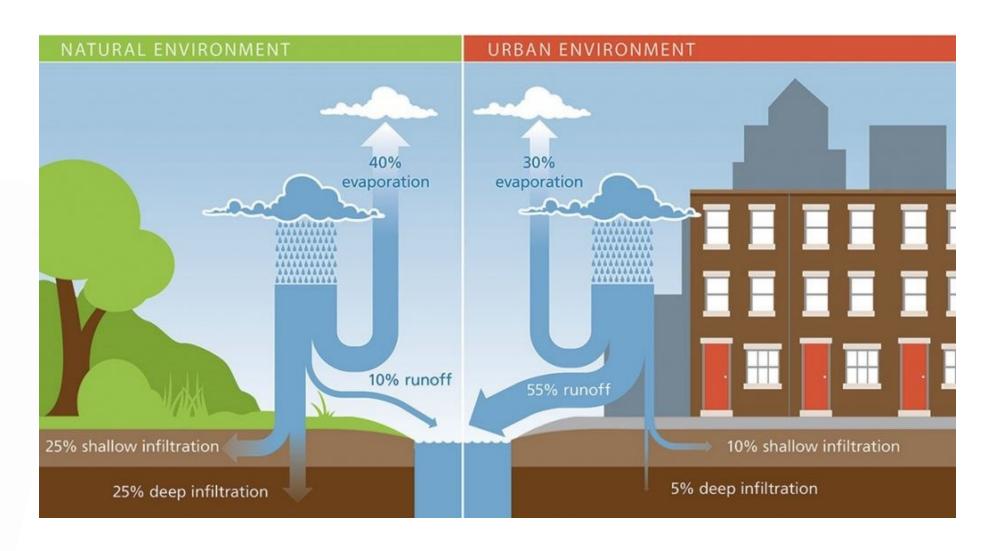
#### Goals of Depave Paradise:

Stormwater Management, Demonstrations of Best Practices, Beautification, Increased Green Space, Community Building











#### Depave in Hamilton by the numbers

#### Since 2012...

- 9 Depave sites across
   Hamilton including schoolyards, Church parking lot, private business parking lot
- 1056m2 of asphalt removed
- 519 Volunteers engaged
- 3923 volunteer hours
- 968 plants and shrubs planted
- 30 trees planted





## Depave Paradise creates change







#### Benefits of Depaving

- Reduces non-point source pollution and flooding through collection and filtration of water
- Educates about the effects of stormwater runoff and benefits of permeable surfaces
- Creates a sense of community through community space renewal and beautification
- Fosters behavioural change and community engagement.



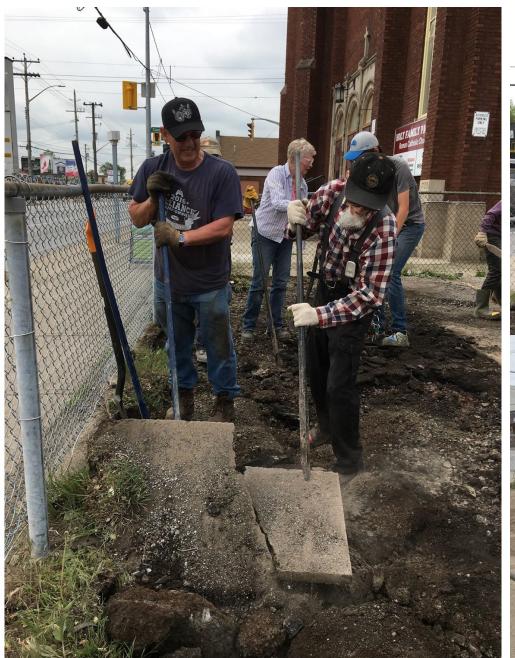
# Depave transforms spaces















#### **Using People Power**













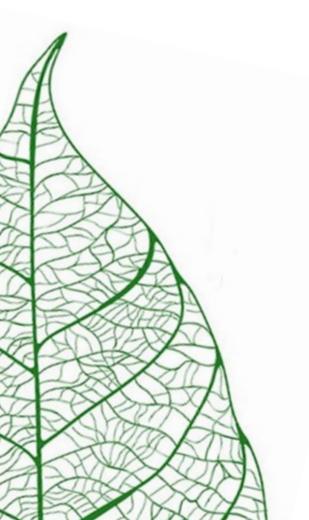
# VIPs are engaged







# Mayors, MPs, MPPs, City Councilors...









#### Volunteers







# Municipal Staff







## Local businesses get involved







#### Youth volunteers







#### Depave brings communities together

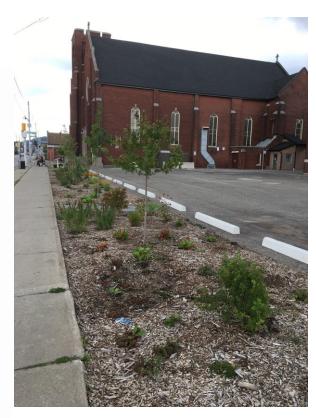






## Great Results: Depave on Kenilworth







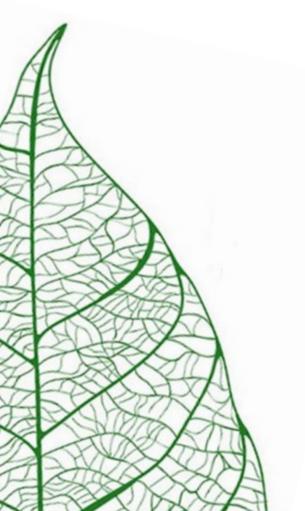


August 2017

June 2018

September 2019





#### Site Selection: How to identify a Depave site

- Located on public land or publicly accessible land (e.g. churches, schools, street side etc.)
- Preference for a highly visible locationneeds to be seen to make an impact on the community
- 100m2 of asphalt to remove
- Not suspected of soil contamination (you will be required to do a soil test)
- Asphalt needs to be replaced with green space- trees and/or plants etc.
- A location where someone will care for the site for the long term
- A site that can be promoted media-wide (signage, social media, newspapers etc.)

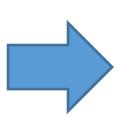




### Depave Paradise on Barton









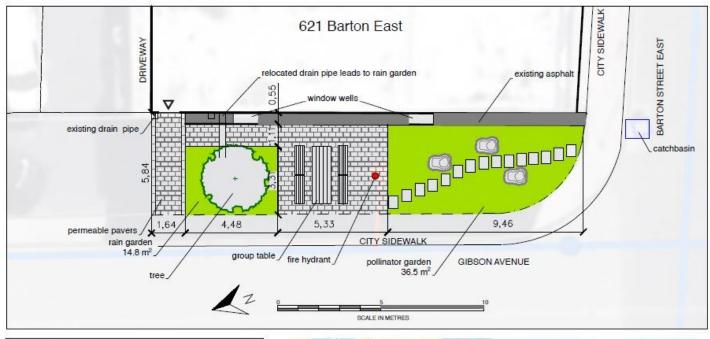












#### SITE STATISTICS

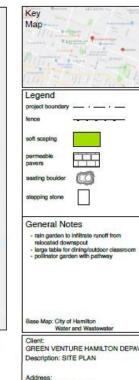
Total area: 98.25 m2

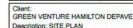
Existing softscape: 0.0 m2 Proposed softscape: 51.3 m2

Existing hardscape: 98.25 m² (asphalt)
Proposed hardscape: 46.95 m²
- 36.25 m² permeable pavers

- 10.7 m<sup>2</sup> asphalt retained along building







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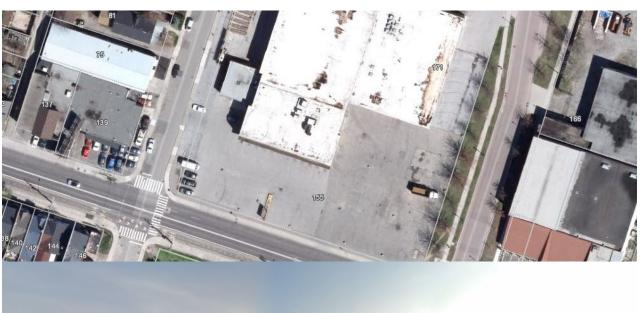


#### CONCEPTUAL PLANS PERSPECTIVES AND ELEMENTS PERIMEABLE PAVEMENT THE RAIN GARDEN . LIGHTING O CONTRASTING BORDER SEATING SHADE TREE work, shop, play and worship. The street has been in decline for a number of years but the merchants of Barton, along with Green Venture Hamilton, now see great potential for a renewal of the streetscape by converting city-owned corner boulevards into community gathering spaces. Shade trees and native perennials planted in rain gardens would beautify street edges while reducing urban heat sland effect, providing habitat for pollinators and absorbing rainwater back into the ground. Perme-able pavers in place of existing asphalt, would define space while providing an element of stormwater management. Eight potential sites along Barton East have been identified with three sites here presented as conceptual plans. The goal of 342 Barton East this proposal is to show the opportunity for significant placemaking both culturally and environmentally, along a historic street. Scale 1:100 THE SITES 0 8888 permetite parent 539 Barton E 621 Barton E 703-707 Barton E 579-581 Barton East Scale 1:100 bike rack Q BULDING \*\*\*\*\* PRIVATE LAND CORNER BOULEVARDS sculpture CITY SIDEWALK CATCH BASIN PIRE HYDRANT® Scale 1:100 621 Barton East Scale 1:100 .0 downspout redirected into rain garden CITY SIDEWALK 304-316 Barton E 414 Barton E 342 Barton E 125 m<sup>2</sup> seating/outdoor learning space 235 m<sup>2</sup> 50 m<sup>2</sup> Faith genders planted with a variety of native species provides habitat by wellering Drainpipe attached to rain garde manages runoff from buildings. Scale 1:400 Scale 1:100 Map Source: City of Hamilton Water and Wastewater, Google Earth



# Depave on Cannon: Friendly Streets















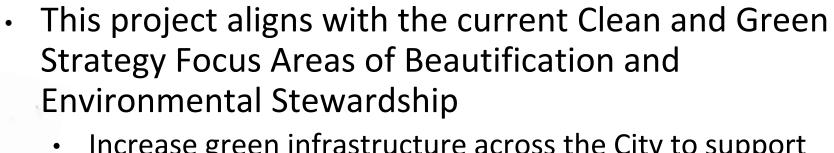
#### Depave Expenses: Services and Supplies

Depave Project costs vary depending on in-kind support, site, post depave vision etc. Expenses include:

- Landscape Architect/Designer
- Drop Box + U-Haul bins for asphalt
- Professional Concrete Saw Cutter
- Construction Company for excavation down to native soils
- Native Plants, Top Soil, Mulch, Trees, Shrubs, Benches, Public Art
- Food Donations for Depave + Planting Party
- Equipment: prybars, wheelbarrows, tools, gloves, safety glasses etc.
- Volunteers on day of Depave and Planting Party!



## Partnerships and Funding



- Increase green infrastructure across the City to support stormwater management
- Implement depave projects across the City to add more garden space
- Promote pollinator and gardens including native plants





#### Want to know more?

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