

1200 people 'Imagined Halton Hills' and told us their hopes and dreams for the next 50 years



An ideal future for Halton Hills also includes:

- Clean air and water
- Beautiful natural environment
- Cultural, arts and tourism experiences
- Thriving local economy
- Leadership for sustainability
- Spirit of volunteerism
- Alternate transportation options
- Interconnected active transportation options
- Complete, green and close-knit communities
- Vibrant historic downtowns
- Plentiful social, senior and youth services
- Thriving agricultural industry
- Affordable and diverse housing options
- Unique blend of urban and rural landscape

AND THE JOURNEY TO SUSTAINABILITY CONTINUES...

To learn more about our journey to sustainability and how you can help shape it:



- Talk to us in the community this May and June
- Check us out online at: www.haltonhills.ca/sustainability
- Call us at 905.873.2601 ext. 2289
- Find Imagine Halton Hills on Facebook
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IMAGINE HALTON HILLS

Thinking of the future, about 1,200 residents expressed their hopes and dreams for a sustainable Halton Hills becoming a reality over the next 50 years.

Through Imagine Halton Hills, the most successful resident survey ever undertaken by the Town, a wealth of information was provided by residents from all corners of the community. Residents of Acton, Georgetown, Stewarttown, Norval, Glen Williams, the rural area and others joined the conversation. The resounding success of Imagine Halton Hills can be attributed to the community itself. The survey was widely distributed by many community partners, including Council members, the Town Sustainability Advisory Committee, the Office of Sustainability, and local media.

Our Vision

In 2060, the urban and rural communities of Halton Hills balance economic prosperity with a deep commitment to the natural environment, while retaining viable local agriculture and small-town feel, and being socially equitable, culturally vibrant and strongly connected.

An Ideal Community

In describing an ideal community and its five most desirable features, the majority of residents focused on:

- **Access to local employment, services and shopping** – diversified economic development that translates into abundant local employment.
- **Recreation opportunities** – additional facilities that are easily accessible and affordable, including arenas, pools and indoor sports facilities for volleyball and other sports.
- **Greenspace** - plentiful and accessible greenspace throughout the community.
- **Access to local health care services** – full-service, modern and eco-friendly hospital, facilities and programs to support healthy lifestyles, nursing homes, dental health assistance for families in need, and assistance with mental health.
- **Availability of quality local education** – access to modern schools offering quality education, a satellite college or university facility to offer lifelong learning opportunities, adult education programs and eco-friendly schools.

Additional priority areas included affordable housing, a clean environment, vibrant cultural scene, responsive government, enhanced transportation options, modern library services, community safety, small-town feel, a vibrant downtown area, and additional youth and senior services.

Why Did You Choose to Move to or Stay in Halton Hills?

Residents overwhelmingly identified the following as their top three reasons for choosing to move or stay in Halton Hills:

1. Halton Hills' 'small-town feel' and sense of close-knit community;
2. Family ties; and
3. Open space and rural character

Residents also value their proximity to and convenience of GO Transit, proximity to work, availability of local services, housing affordability, community safety, traditional vibrant downtowns, and youth and senior services.