



## Pivot Green Announces the Winners of the Canadian Youth Climate Action Award

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Pivot Green, in partnership with the Small Change Fund, is pleased to announce the winners of the 2023 Canadian Youth Climate Action Award. This Award recognizes the important work that young Canadians are undertaking in concert with other generations in the fight against climate change. The first-place winner will receive a plaque celebrating their achievement along with an honorarium of \$1,500 to support their ongoing work. Two runner-up organizations will each receive \$500.

The overall winner is **SDSS Deep Roots** in Stratford, Ontario. In this creative project, Grade 10 students have joined with seniors to build an intergenerational garden on their school site. They have flipped the script on cutting grass and are instead cultivating vegetable and berry plants. The group celebrates its harvest each year with a communal dinner. Along with protecting carbon in the soil and increasing biodiversity, an important by-product of the program is the bonds and friendships students have formed with seniors in their community.

The two runners-up are the **Cityhive Climate Programs** in Vancouver and the **East Scarborough Pop-Up Seed Library**. In addition, because of the generosity of our supporters, we are pleased to announce an additional three honorariums of \$250 each. The three winners are the Community Climate Council (located in Peel region), Cycle York at Regenesys Canada (Toronto), and the Student Sustainability Ambassadors Program in Hamilton. Details on these submissions will be available soon on our website: [pivotgreen.ca](https://pivotgreen.ca).

On Earth Day the judges released the following statement: "We were extremely impressed and inspired by the quality and quantity of submissions from coast to coast. It is clear that young Canadians are not sitting on the sidelines throwing up their hands in despair. On the contrary, these submissions are an unmistakable indication that young people are actively engaged and involved in a variety of impactful programs in their community."

Pivot Green would like to congratulate all the winners. We would also like to thank all the groups who took the time to submit an application. As well, we would like to extend our sincere appreciation to all our donors who made this Award possible. Happy Earth Day to all.

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