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Ontario Horticultural Association

OHA Secretary Report 2024 Year in Review



2024 Volunteer Hours

Through our local societies and clubs, the OHA is active across Ontario improving:

- Urban and rural landscapes
- Giving seniors' residences a hand with gardening
- Planting roadsides with wildflowers
- Planting trees and shrubs
- The list of OHA activities is unlimited..

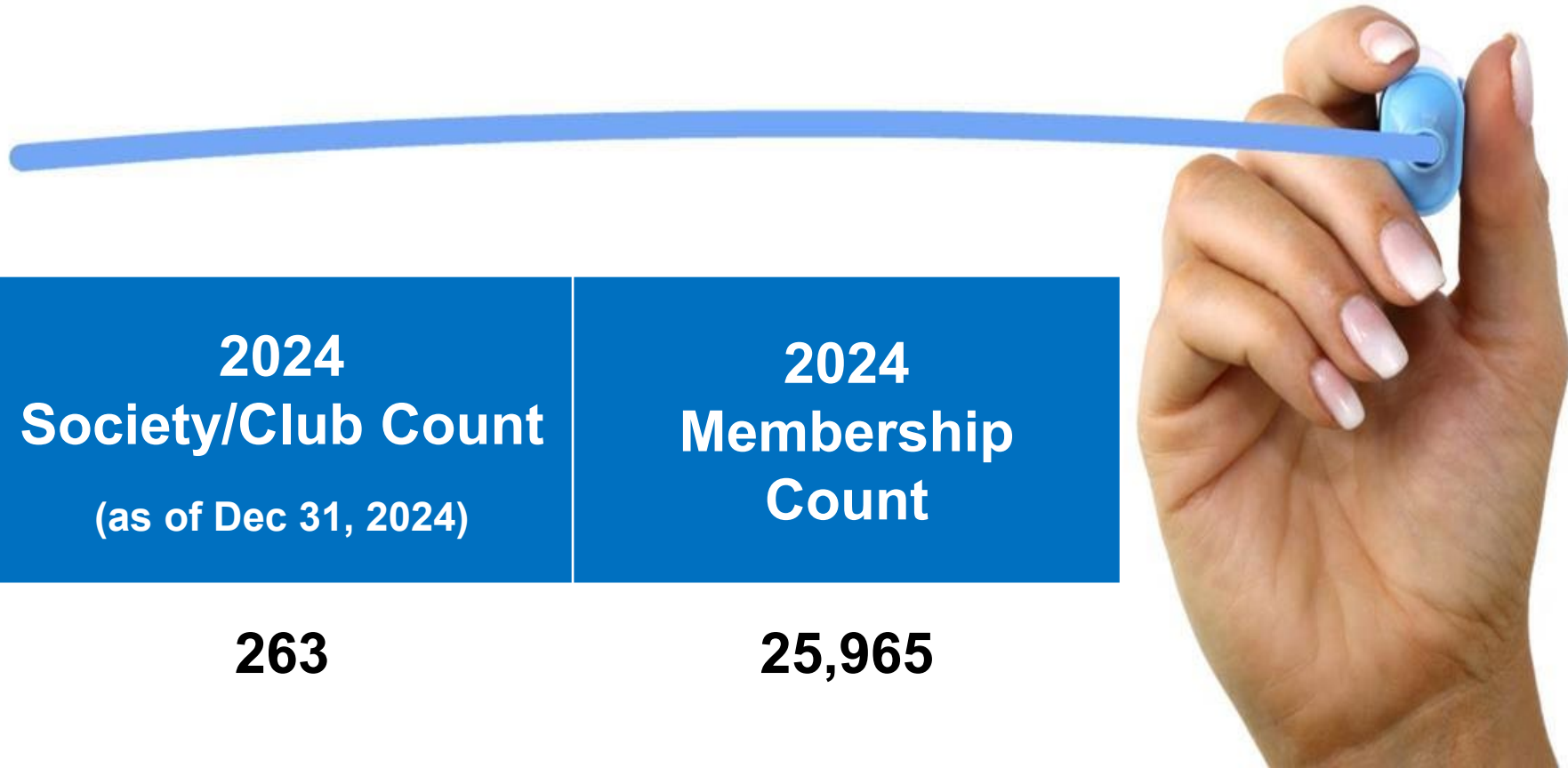
Volunteers are the backbone of everything we do!!

2024 Volunteer Hours

OHA Officers	District & District Executive (including travel)	Society/Club Volunteer Hours	GRAND TOTAL
12,738	20,510	445,387	478,635

Savings to the towns/cities/municipalities and province of over \$8.2 million dollars

MEMBERSHIP



2024 Society/Club Count (as of Dec 31, 2024)	2024 Membership Count
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263

25,965

2024 Membership

New Members	Youth Membership	Life Members
20.21%	1.34%	4.74%
5,247	348	1,230



1.05% Decrease from 2024 of 275 Members

2024 OHA Secretary Accomplishments

- **Participated in many worthwhile projects such as:**
 - GardenOntario Vegetable Garden Journal Fundraiser
 - OHA Education Night for Earth Day and Presentation Videos
 - OHA Corporate Report
 - District Director Quick Start
 - Revision of Awards Program & Forms
 - Creation of Videos for Reference on Annual Information Reporting and Options for Growing – Plant Me Instead Cards
 - Development of 50/50 Rafflebox Advertising
 - Extensive work on development of AGM Registration Forms, Marketing Materials, and organization of today's meeting
- **Organized/participated in OHA Meetings, TCON's, and recording Minutes (in person & virtually)**
- **Annual Information Reporting, Stats, Voting Eligibility, and Proxy Vote allocations**
- **AGM preparations including creation of proxy form, and OHA presentations today**
- **Thank you Letters to OMAFA, Premier and District Host in 2024**
- **And Of Course, Other Duties As Assigned....**

2024 OHA Awards

Community Improvement Award:

- Mount Forest Community, District 7

Environmental Award:

- Haliburton County Master Gardeners, District 4

Honour Roll:

- Trudy Bliedung, Flamborough Horticultural Society, District 6
- Audrey Lee, Acton Horticultural Society, District 6



2024 OHA Awards

Technical Award:

- Ellen Power, East Gwillimbury Horticultural Society, District 5

Award of Merit:

- Catherine McGill, Haldimand Horticultural Society, District 6
- Harry Wyma, Ridgetown & District Horticultural Society, District 11

Silver Fir/Trillium Award:

- Barbara Twiner, Pickering Horticultural Society, District 17
- Katharine Smyth, Tilbury & District Horticultural Society, District 11



2024 OHA Grants

Tree Grants

DISTRICT	SOCIETY/CLUB
1	Kemptville HS Williamstown Green Thumb HS
2	Almonte & District HS Pembroke HS
3	Kingston HS
6	Flamborough HS Haldimand HS Paris HS
7	Clifford and District HS
8	Chesley HS Tara HS

DISTRICT	SOCIETY/CLUB
9	For Erie HS Lincoln GC Niagara-On-The-Lake HS Pelham HS
12	Kapuskasing HS
13	Thessalon HS
19	Wilmot HS

2024 OHA Grants

Community Garden Grants

DISTRICT	SOCIETY/CLUB
4	Cramahe HS
7	Mount Forest HS
13	Thessalon HS

Pollinator Project Grants

DISTRICT	SOCIETY/CLUB
1	Martintown & District HS
3	Tweed & District HS
11	Ambassador HS Lasalle

Seedy Saturday/Sunday Grants

DISTRICT	SOCIETY/CLUB
3	Belleville HS
11	Ambassador HS Lasalle HS
11	Ridgetown & District HS
17	Georgina Brock HS

Youth Project Grants

DISTRICT	SOCIETY/CLUB
3	Tweed & District HS
4	Minden & District HS
5	Leaside HS
9	Fort Erie HS
11	Kingsville HS

2024 OHA Grants Con't...

Youth Help Grants

DISTRICT	SOCIETY/CLUB
2	Eganville & Area HS Pembroke HS
4	Minden & District HS
5	Lake Simcoe South Shore HS Leaside HS
6	Haldimand HS Oakville HS
7	Clifford & District HS
8	Ripley & District HS
11	Kingsville HS Ridgetown & District HS
17	Pickering HS
19	Wilmot HS

Technical Advancement Grants

DISTRICT	SOCIETY/CLUB
1	Williamstown Green Thumb HS
5	Lake Simcoe South Shore HS
10	London Fanshawe HS
14	Dryden & District HS
15	Richmond Hill HS
17	Cannington HS

Attendance at District AGMs



OHA District 12

OHA District 13

Thank You

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