

WHAT IS THE OHA:

The OHA provides a framework for people with interests in gardening, neighbourhood beautification, and the environment to come together, not just as individuals or as individual societies, but as part of a province-wide community. By sharing knowledge and experience, we discover new ideas and methods, and help each other with problems. In short, the OHA helps us to be connected to each other via a network that stretches well beyond our individual communities.

As expressed by Major H.J. Snelgrove, 1st Vice President, at the first meeting of the provincial body on November 9, 1906, the purpose of the Ontario Horticultural Association (OHA) was “to create an organization that will result in the betterment of our communities through beautification and generally making them better places in which to live.”

The primary objectives of the OHA were to advance the interests, promote the welfare, increase the usefulness and supplement the efforts of all horticultural societies in the province.

Today, the OHA stands true to it's original purpose and objectives.

The OHA strives to be recognized as the primary gardening and horticultural Association by inspiring, educating and supporting gardeners and affiliated Societies/Clubs.

The OHA provides resources, broad support and guidance, training and administrative leadership, and advocates on behalf of affiliated Horticultural Societies/Clubs.

The OHA develops and supports programs for all ages and skill levels encouraging gardening, community beautification, environmental stewardship, and conservation.

The OHA provides recognition, awards and grants throughout Ontario.

The OHA encourages the development of new horticultural societies.