



Deliverable / Project: Special Project: Bird Nerdin'

Description of Project

In conjunction with the Orangeville Public Library, individuals with a library card, can sign out a pair of binoculars and bird watching kit, and enjoy urban and nearby natural area tours and walks that promote scientific interest and appreciation of natural resources with high priority to charismatic bird species. Also, an opportunity for guided tours to be performed by J. Pickering. Committee to determine partnership opportunities with Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Mono Pollinator Gardens, and/or Headwaters Nature.

Materials to be Purchased.

There will be a total of five (5) birdwatching kits that can be rented from the Orangeville Public Library. Each kit will contain the following items.

- One (1) pair of binoculars with a neck strap
- One (1) binocular case
- One (1) microfibre lens cloth
- One (1) binocular instruction sheet
- One (1) Kids Bird Guide of North America
- One (1) Book for bird identification and information
- One (1) Information sheet of local birds in Orangeville
- One (1) Map / Information sheet with best places to view birds.
- One (1) Shared Journal to document bird sightings

Budget Breakdown

- Five (5) pairs of binoculars with a neck strap - **\$500**
- Five (5) binocular case – to be included with binoculars.
- Five (5) binocular instruction sheet – to be included with binoculars or will create.
- Five (5) microfibre lens cloth - **\$10**
- Five (5) Kids Bird Guide of North America - **\$150**
- Five (5) books for bird identification and information – **\$150**



- Five (5) Information sheet of local birds in Orangeville – to be created by the Committee - **\$0**.
- Five (5) map / Information sheet with best places to view birds in Orangeville – to be created by the Committee - **\$0**.
- Five (5) shared Journal to document bird sightings - **\$50**
- Five (5) backpacks or fanny packs to store the items in the kit - **\$100**.

Total Budget for this Project: \$1000

Location

- Orangeville Urban sites and trails, in the downtown core, and adjacent neighbourhoods. Access to Island Lake has a cost and would require collaboration with Credit Valley Conservation Authority, but accessible urban bird walks would be best around town. Specific route to be determined based on time of year and target bird species.
- Partnerships with Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Mono Pollinator Gardens, or Headwaters Nature could benefit from this program.

Scheduled Start and Completion Timeline

Phase 1: January

- In conjunction with the Orangeville Public Library, create promotional materials for the Communication Division and confirm roll out date of the program (April 2025).
- Create Information sheet of local birds in Orangeville and create map / Information sheet with best places to view birds in Orangeville.
- Purchase bird watching kits x5.

Who is Leading this Phase?

- **Committee Members** – create Information sheet of local birds in Orangeville and create map / Information sheet with best places to view birds in Orangeville and send to the Committee Secretary.
- **Committee Secretary** – In conjunction with the Orangeville Public Library, submit promotional materials and confirm roll out date and details of the program.
- **Staff Liaison** – Work with J. Pickering, purchase items for the bird watching kits.



Phase 2: February - March

- After the kits have been purchased and the information sheets have been created, Library staff will need the items to file into their system and confirm logistics for administering the program.
- Confirm all promotional materials are in place for the start of the program (April 2025).

Who is Leading this Phase?

Staff Liaison – confirm all items for the kits have been purchased and delivered to the library.

Committee Secretary – confirm all promotional materials are in place for the start of the program (April 2025).

Phase 3: April

- Promotion for the program begins.
- Program begins.
- In conjunction with Library staff, discuss the option of doing guided tours on select dates.

Who is Leading this Phase?

Library – administers the program.

Committee Secretary – support library staff if needed.

Committee Member – discuss feasibility of future guided tours.
