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Dear Community Members,

The year 2022 has come to an end and has been a year of tremendous growth for Human Nature Projects (HNP) Ontario.

Our organization was founded in 2021 and strives to raise awareness for current environmental issues around the world. We are a sub branch from our overarching organization, Human Nature Projects Canada, which our team was able to federally register in January 2022! We want to drive change through educating and connecting our community with opportunities.

Our goal for 2022 was to be able to establish the organization, expand our team and host in person events. We were able to host various events online and in person that challenged our community to learn and take steps toward change. Our online panels consisted of Youth Indigenous Voices and an Eco-Career Panel which invited people with expertise to share their perspectives and educate the community. We were able to host 2 Community Clean Ups with over 200 participants. Through our April Clean Up, we were featured in an article by the Home Pitch. In our October Clean Up, we were graced with the presence of the Councillor Santos of Brampton City. In October, we were featured on the Spark Show podcast by Ignite Fair. Through our journey, this year we were awarded various grants such as the Rising Youth Grant and Canada Post Grant which supported us incredibly in our in-person events.

We want to thank everyone for their tremendous support to our organizations and our executive team for their incredible work for our cause.

We are extremely excited for the year 2023 and the amazing events and projects we have in store! In the new year, we are looking forward to grow and achieve our goals of expansion, outreach, and advocacy.

Thank you,
Srija Das, Muhammad Ansar, Kiyan Sajadi
Leadership Team
ABOUT HNP ONTARIO

HISTORY

Founded in October 2020 by three students (Srija Das, Theo Liu, and Muhammad Ansar), HNP Ontario now has a growing number of 50+ executive members.

MISSION

HNP Ontario to educate the community regarding pressing environmental issues in order to prompt more sustainable development and DRIVE environmental change in our community.

FUTURE

To be an internationally recognized global leader in environmental advocacy.

OUR VISION

Environmental change  Education  Opportunities  Build Community
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YEAR IN NUMBERS

in 2022, we had...

$2000+ raised from grants, sponsorships, and fundraisers

1000+ volunteers at in-person and online events

50+ executive members

19 different sponsors supporting events and volunteers

10 collaborations with other North American environmental organizations

6 high-impact events hosted
In 2022 we had 6 main department lead by the Leadership Team of Project Leads and Vice Presidents:

**External Affairs:**
The Events department deal with event planning and sponsorships. The Marketing department manages our social media platforms.

**Internal Affairs:**
The Finance department manages the team’s financial status and grant applications. The Human Resources department takes care of the HNP Ontario team members.

**Development:**
The Communications department is responsible for the monthly newsletters. The Operations department oversees the general committee members and the ambassador program.
High Park Cleanup
- 170+ community volunteers
- 80 bags worth of garbage collected
- $700 in prizes!

Invasive Species Pull
- 60+ community volunteers
- In collaboration with Toronto Nature Stewarts and Toronto Master Gardeners

Samuel Conner Pond Cleanup
- 250+ community volunteers
- 30+ bags worth of garbage collected
- $350 in prizes!
Youth Indigenous Voices Panel
- 3 young indigenous activist guest speakers
- 100+ people in attendance
- In collaboration with YCAT, Project Planet A, Project Environment, Gartenbank Society, and Climate Justice Durham

Eco Careers Webinar
- Featuring a marine biologist, eco-friendly small business owner, and Canadian Wildlife Federation specialist sharing insights on environmental career choices and how to live a sustainable lifestyle
- 120+ people in attendance

Liberal Arts Competition
- Explored the theme of greenwashing in the corporate industry through essays, poems, articles, and visual art
- 45+ unique submissions
EDUCATING OUR COMMUNITY

MARKETING AND OUTREACH

5 Editions and 200+ subscribers...

to our newsletter featuring global environmental issues and progress, as well as team updates and events

3200+ followers across our social media platforms. We've educated our global following on natural disasters, invasive species, carbon footprints, climate news and more.
PERSONAL AND TEAM DEVELOPMENT

AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Purpose

- Ensuring access to mentorship and personal development for all executive and general team members
- Growth and development of our team members leads to growth and development of our organization and community

Danya Shafi – Events Co-Director

My favourite part about HNP is the opportunities it provides me to grow and learn new things. I learn skills, insights, and more about our environment almost every week! If you enjoy being around nature and giving back to the community I highly recommend joining HNP.

Alina Riabova – Marketing Co-Director

Apart from being an organization that focuses on impactful and tangible, environmental change through a variety of creative & engaging initiatives, HNP is also a community that continuously proves to support and develop all of its members. Particularly, I love our ambassador program that helps to prepare students for the future, teach new skills as well as connect everyone with very informative and useful resources.

Aurelia Lai – Finance Associate

HNP is a really great community and helping to plan for different community events was such a great experience. I got to meet so many cool people including fellow members and volunteers and I was able to learn more about environmental issues and take charge by pulling out invasive species dangerous to biodiversity. I learned so much and am excited to learn even more as I continue my journey as an executive of HNP.

Kiyan Sajadi – VP of Development

HNP has helped me develop my leadership skills, technological skills and social skills in a matter of months. HNP is more than an organization, it’s a community where learning is the number one priority.
Acknowledgements

of 2022
Grant Achievements

Value: $1500

Rising Youth Grant provides opportunity for youth communities to make an impact in the community. HNP Ontario received this grant funding in May 2022 where the money was used to fund our first garbage cleanup and our first invasive species pull. Both events were a great success with the help of the funding.

Value: $870

Canada Post Foundation Grant provides organizations funds to create changes in the community. HNP Ontario revived this grant funding in April 2022 with a $870 amount. The money was used to fund our first invasive species pull and our second garbage cleanup. Both events were a great success with the help of the funding.
Collaborations of 2022

Youth Indigenous Voices Panel

Anellah Orosz
Kya Steinberg Parker
Jesslynn Friday

Invasive Species Pull Event

Guest Speakers

Youth Indigenous Voices Panel

Anellah Orosz
Kya Steinberg Parker
Jesslynn Friday

Eco Career Webinar

Lisa Chen
Chris Kallick
Josh Dewitt

Special Thank You to Councillor Rowena Santos of Ward 1 and Ward 5 in Brampton City
“Making the World Happen”
All Events Community Award

Ignite Fair Attendee
HNP Ontario attended Canada’s largest youth-run volunteer fair to offer volunteer opportunities and talk about our impact and the environment.

The Spark Show Feature
HNP Ontario’s co-founders spoke on Ignite Fair’s Podcast. Listen to “Driving Environmental Change ft. HNP Ontario” on Spotify!

Feature Article in the Home Pitch
HNP Ontario was featured for our community cleanup and more in the Home Pitch newsletter, a community-powered journalism group serving underrepresented communities in Toronto.
Thank you to all sponsors for supporting HNP Ontario’s events and outreach efforts!
### Executive Team of 2022

#### Leadership Team
- Muhammad Ansar - Co-Founder, Executive Director, Project Lead
- Srija Das - Co-Founder, Executive Director, Project Lead
- Kiyan Sajadi - Vice President of Development
- Ridah Afshal - Vice President of Internal Affairs
- Iris Cui - Vice President of External Affairs

#### Events Team
- Cindy Zhu - Events Director
- Danya Shafi - Events Director
- Helia Sayadnasab - Events Director
- Diana Kowsari - Events Associate
- Faith Lee - Events Associate
- Eris Giang - Events Associate
- Stephen Antonios - Events Associate
- Kyla Zhang - Events Associate

#### Finance Team
- Eden Lee - Finance Co-Director
- William Lee - Finance Co-Director
- Likhitha Koppula - Finance Associate
- Aurelia Lai - Finance Associate
- Anicka Wilfred - Finance Associate
- Carrie Liu - Finance Associate

#### Human Resources Team
- Sierra Yoo - Human Resources Director
- Kaithleen Gacita - Human Resources Director
- Vani Singh - Human Resources Associate
- Abtin Zaker - Human Resources Associate
- Destiny Sha - Human Resources Associate

#### Marketing Team
- Alina Riabova - Marketing Director
- Christine Qin - Marketing Director
- Ada Wang - Marketing Director
- Duru Unal - Marketing Associate
- Anjali Pathmanthan - Marketing Associate
- Emily Dong - Marketing Associate
- Tara Rezaei Zare - Marketing Associate
- Brandon Yoo - Marketing Associate

#### Communications Team
- Neelaksha Srisangar - Communications Director
- Naomi Massimiani - Communications Associate
- Vishurdeey Sivakumar - Communications Associate
- Tracy Lin - Communications Associate
- Mason Lyn - Communications Associate

#### Operations Team
- Samiksha Satthy - Operations Director
- Adrien Ravindran - Operations Director
- Junbeen Yang - Operations Associate
- Shouvik Bhadra - Operations Associates
- Kelly Li - Website Developer
- Evana Mahmud - Website Developer
- Aditi Chaturvedi - Website Developer

#### General Committee Members
- Jacklyn Chen
- Emily Yuan
- Amanda Liu
- Diane He
- Faria Chowdhury
- Diana Rahmani
- Grace Chen