



SPOTLIGHT

TRENT FARM

Grow Change for a Sustainable Future

Food and agriculture are the building blocks of life, and with an array of complex threats to our valuable land and water resources, change is needed now more than ever. New small-scale farmers will need to adapt to climate change, maintain biodiversity and soil health, and deal with a host of other challenges.

You can help plant the seeds for sustainable small-scale agriculture at the Trent Farm, our largest productive landscape. The Trent Farm is a dynamic site for innovative land-based research, teaching and learning. It brings together Trent's longstanding commitment to environmental research with our emerging expertise in agro-ecosystem management.

We nurture land-based education and research while providing community networking spaces, employment, and volunteer opportunities for students, and a source of fresh seasonal food for the Trent community.

Here students, faculty, and researchers are not only implementing regenerative agricultural practices but are demonstrating and measuring the impact of these methods, including soil

health studies. They are conducting high-calibre applied research, establishing long- and short-term field experiments to test innovative approaches to sustainable food production, and disseminating this learning to local farmers to create food systems that are responsible, justice-oriented, efficient, effective, and viable.

Our vision is to cultivate a diversified research, production, and demonstration farm where students learn the conceptual and practical skills necessary for growing, managing, and marketing agri-food products. It will serve as a research hub that transcends disciplines and nurtures community partnerships.

With your support, we can develop the Trent Farm as a centre for collaborative land-based research and learning, equipped with the necessary facilities and equipment to implement ground-breaking production methods to ensure long-term sustainable land use.

Through innovative teaching and research partnerships, open farm demonstration and extension events, as well as partnerships with local food justice organizations and crop industries, the Trent Farm will become a thriving hub of activity and a much needed niche of research and field work that will model sustainable production and distribution of healthy, affordable food.

Learn more about how growing the Trent Farm will lead to momentous change at trentu.ca/momentous