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**On June 11, James Strath Public School students planting a pollinator garden with GreenUP and local business.**

**Peterborough, Ont. (June 8, 2018)** On June 11, GreenUP will be installing a 55m<sup>2</sup> pollinator garden at Apex Diagnostic Services Inc. located at 1757 Sherbrooke Street. Students in grades 2 to 8 from James Strath Public School, located a short distance from the clinic, will assist with planting native wildflowers that will provide food and habitat for pollinators, including bees, birds, and butterflies.

This pollinator-friendly garden is being installed as part of the GreenUP Sustainable Urban Neighbourhoods (SUN) program, in partnership with Apex Diagnostic Services Inc. and James Strath PS.

Dr. Ardavan Mahim, Cardiologist and Proprietor of Apex Diagnostic Services Inc., shares, “Our goal with this clinic is to establish a balance between functionality and green space [on our property], while conserving water, helping with bee populations, and the overall health of the environment. Healthy living starts with a healthy environment.”

Apex Diagnostic Services Inc. is a cardiology office located at the corner of Sherbrooke and Brealey. In addition to full Cardiology services they also provide Ultrasound, X-ray, and Bone Mineral Density (BMD) diagnostic services. More information about their services can be found at [www.apex-diagnostics.com](http://www.apex-diagnostics.com).

GreenUP SUN Program Coordinator, Jenn McCallum explains, “Projects such as this are great examples of how partners can collaborate to improve the environment.” The SUN program continues to connect with residents, schools, and businesses in two neighbourhoods in Peterborough: Kawartha Heights and East City Curtis Creek through an action plan process, “We want to learn about neighbourhood priorities and needs; we look forward to connecting with more businesses and homeowners to plant trees and gardens in these areas.”

The SUN program is generously funded by the Ontario Trillium Foundation, and is modelled on the Sustainable Neighbourhoods Retrofit Action Plan (SNAP) program that has successfully been implemented in several Toronto neighbourhoods, through the Toronto Region Conservation Authority.

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