

Library Exhibit – Right Panel

What is Sustainability?

Sustainability means “meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.”

- Brundtland Commission 1987
(United Nations)



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Sustainability Council
(2012):

Sustainability is the process of living within the limits of available physical, natural and social resources in ways that allow the living systems in which humans are embedded to thrive in perpetuity.

What is this all about? The notion of sustainability? What are they talking about? ...Our first thoughts are not “What can we take?” but “What can we give to Mother Earth?”

– Robin Wall Kimmerer



Breaking: Latest IPCC Report : Climate change fear can be paralyzing. But you can spur action through hope, says scientist

<https://www.cbc.ca/radio/thecurrent/climate-report-katharine-hayhoe-1.6785778>

David Suzuki Foundation: Reversing course on emissions is possible

https://community.davidsuzuki.org/index.php/email/emailWebview?md_id=32427



How do you see sustainability? Tell us your definition on the OBEC website.



What is OBEC?

The Ottawa Biosphere Eco-City initiative (OBEC) has operated in Ottawa since 2009. It is an all-volunteer charitable organization. Its members believe that government plans are useful, but your actions, and those of your friends and neighbours, will make the most difference in determining whether Ottawa will be sustainable.

Let's find the way forward with sustainability together!

Examples of OBEC projects at <http://obec-evbo.ca/programs-and-events/>



What do **you** think?

Come to the OBEC website to share your thoughts about sustainability and what you can do, personally and as a member of the Kanata community, to help us become more sustainable.

Come to the OBEC website to ask your question about sustainability or to share your thoughts.

<https://forms.gle/u3nMWpgXD3eDd7Hm6>

