

## Hamilton Walks: Vision, Mission, and Goals

**Hamilton Walks** is a strategy designed to make walking a part of everyday life in Hamilton. **Hamilton Walks** supports the creation of places to walk that are enjoyable, safe and easy to get to. **Hamilton Walks** was developed by Hamilton Public Health & Community Services and Healthy Living Hamilton and has grown to include other key community partners who share the same vision.

### **Hamilton Walks *Vision***

Hamilton is a community where walking is part of everyday life – people of all ages enjoy walking where they work, live, and play. Walkways are accessible, attractive, safe, and free of obstacles.

### **Hamilton Walks *Mission***

Create a *culture of walking* and walkable *communities* in Hamilton to improve the quality of life, health and safety of its residents, and to protect the environment.

### **Goals:**

1. To make walking a top choice for recreation and transportation
2. To improve the health and quality of life for all citizens and to protect the environment
3. To create the opportunity for walking everyday, by providing walkways that are safe, accessible, obstacle free, and pleasant

### **We Plan to:**

1. Bring together community groups committed to walking
2. Make walking a valued activity in Hamilton
3. Increase the number of Hamilton residents who walk where they live, work, and play
4. Gain support for more accessible, barrier free, safe, and pleasant walkways
5. Increase the number of children safely walking to and from school

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