



Liam - Revegetating with native plants

What was your goal and what did you achieve?

I was hoping to achieve native re-vegetation in my local area and school. So far this year I did a lot of research trying to find what native plants are native to my area and then a lot more research trying to find a place that would sell them. It was mostly just me but I also had assistance from my mom who brought the flowers that weren't exactly cheap, and she also helped me with the current place we're working because there were a lot of weeds and it was very unkempt.

Currently this is more of the baby steps phase. I'm just re-vegetating a piece of my garden out the front and then eventually if that all goes well I am either hoping to get council permission to start on the local park and maybe some volunteers if I'm lucky, or if that's not the case go and contact my school and see if I can get it started there.

Have you done any promotion?

A part of a club at my school, the Curiosity Club, is the STEM night and I presented my project there along with some brochures, and handed them out and explained what I did, and why it was important, and why they should do it as well.

Your biggest success so far?

My biggest success is probably getting all the plants planted and they're all currently healthy. It was recent so they haven't grown much. What we're trying to aim to do is get them to grow and produce seeds.

What is your advice to other students?

Don't follow in my footsteps and procrastinate because you'll end up having to do it all at once which I had to do and it was not a very nice time. Definitely plan it and stage it out and try and make sure that your sources are reliable, and make sure you have the money.

What did you enjoy most?

I probably just enjoyed most just planting and caring for my garden because that little point was mostly self-sustaining but it was covered in weeds and we never had a reason to disturb it, but now after quite a lot of weeding work we have finally been able to get the plants planted, and we're looking after them now.

This case study was transcribed from an interview. These are Liam's words and opinions.