A woman with dark hair, wearing a bright red puffy jacket and a black face mask, is smiling and holding a wooden stick with the name 'Sasi' written on it. She is sitting at a green table. In front of her is a small terracotta pot with soil and a small yellow object. To her left is a white bowl with a shovel. The background shows a workshop or greenhouse setting with wooden walls and various tools.

SUPPORTING MISSISSAUGA THROUGH COVID-19



We couldn't have done it without you

The Riverwood Conservancy's essential environmental work would not be possible without the generous support and trust of the Mississauga City Council

Thank you for helping us create a community that lives in harmony



Registered
Community Group



2020 HIGHLIGHTS



500

*Wildflowers
planted
around
Rivenwood*



4,400

*Volunteer
hours
contributed to
our programs*



2,500

*Participants
engaged in
virtual and in-
person
programs*



419

*Observations
recorded by
park visitors in
our
first-ever
BioBlitz*

EMBRACING THE VIRTUAL WORLD





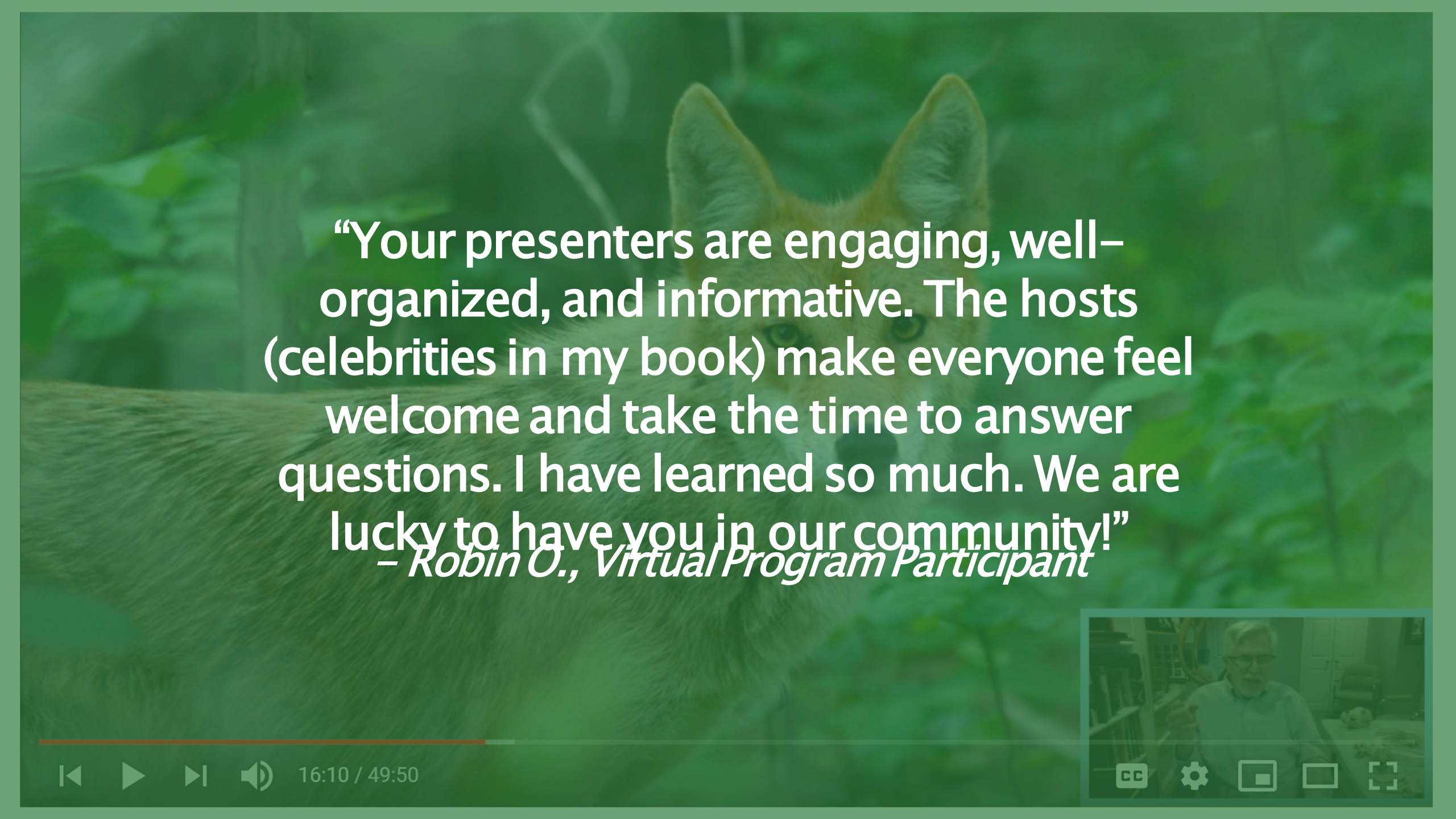
Delivering Nature Digitally

- TRC adapted our Discovery@Riverwood programming to the realities of COVID-19 by shifting our offerings to a mix of webinars, recorded videos, and small in-person events when public health guidelines allowed
- We presented on timely topics like mental health and climate change, and offered virtual nature-based programs geared for seniors and newcomers to Canada

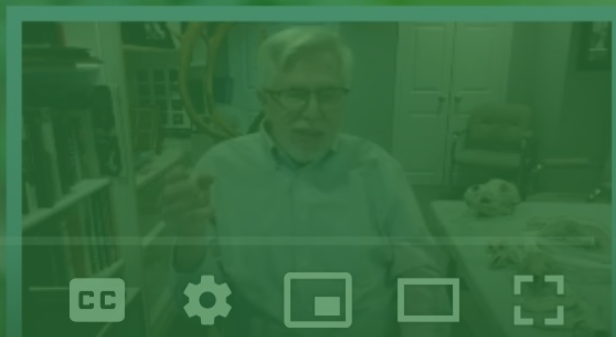


Delivering Nature Digitally

- 10K video views on virtual events
- 51K unique website visitors in 2020
- 947K total reach on all Facebook content



“Your presenters are engaging, well-organized, and informative. The hosts (celebrities in my book) make everyone feel welcome and take the time to answer questions. I have learned so much. We are lucky to have you in our community!”
– *Robin O., Virtual Program Participant*





VISITORS,
VOLUNTEERS,
AND
ECOLOGICAL
VITALITY



Balancing environmental protection and public park use

- We managed the most threatening invasive species populations at Riverwood and kept pace with trash removal
- That work to protect our natural space happened during a time when **Riverwood saw twice as many park visitors** compared to 2019
- Nearly 800 volunteers engaged with our education, conservation, gardening, administrative, and events departments.

KEEPING YOUTH CONNECTED TO NATURE





Education Programming Delivered in the 2020–2021 School Year

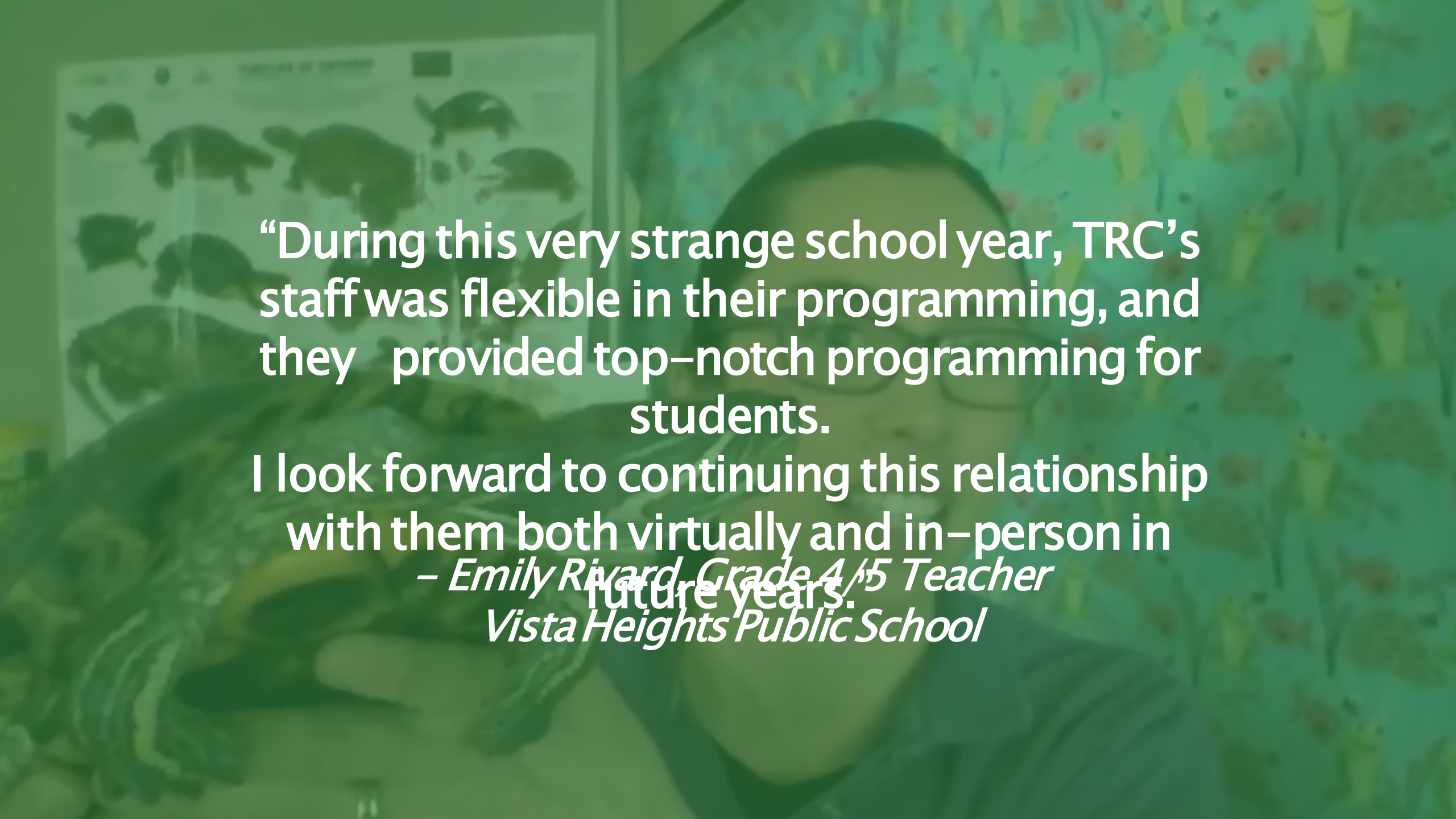
- 2,555 elementary students took part in Education Naturally programs
- 3,600 students participated in Art Naturally Video Workshops
- 782 secondary students reached through LEADS science virtual programs
- 612 university students reached through LEADS science virtual programs



Enabling Garden Programs for Individuals with Special Needs

- 25 in-person programs delivered
- 294 in-person participants
- 94 participants in virtual programs






“During this very strange school year, TRC’s staff was flexible in their programming, and they provided top-notch programming for students.

I look forward to continuing this relationship with them both virtually and in-person in

*– Emily Rivard, Grade 4/5 Teacher
Vista Heights Public School*



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