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From then to Now

From caterpillar's to butterflies,
Our streets have changed just like time.

From red brick roads,
To concrete molds;

Oh' how the years have flew by.

From the Cuyahoga river fire in 1969,
Which led to Cleveland's water being refined.

Clean Water Act, a huge impact,
Oh' how the years have flew by.

From building Cleveland metro park zoo,
To conserving natural resources with wildlife,
And outdoor education with recreation; who knew?

Oh' how the years have flew by.

From deadly chemicals and gases released from landfill sites,
To recycling, reducing pollution caused by waste,
Now we have reached new heights.

From racial inequality

To Cleveland's own racial equity tool,

What a time to attend a school.

From cutting down ample amounts of trees,

To the creation of Arbor Day,

Just open up your eyes and you'll see.

Oh' how the years have flew by.

Author's statement: My submission relates to the environment and economic sustainability in Cleveland by giving details of how life was before today, and how sustainability has helped change our community.