

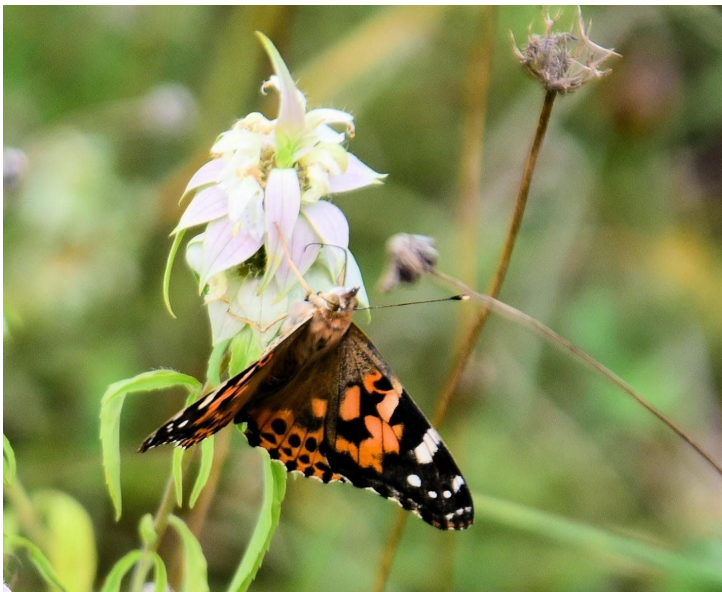


Bee City USA Annual Report Pollinator Conservation & Education 2019



Beeville, Texas

EDUCATION & OUTREACH



"Busy Bee" walking trail pollinator at Coastal Bend College



You can touch the butterfly!

On June 22, 2019, the City of Beeville and the Coastal Bend College hosted the third annual Bee Jamboree. The outdoor event is held the third week of June during National Pollinator Week. Bee Jamboree is hosted to build awareness about the importance of bees and other pollinators, discourage the use of pesticides in the local environment, and to encourage others to support pollinators by planting gardens and creating environments suitable for pollinators.

The Bee Jamboree showcased a Farmers' Market and Hand-Crafted Goods, a Beekeeping Presentation by local beekeeper, Baldemar Galvan, Jr. and a "Busy Bee" walking trail where visitors could learn facts about pollinators while walking along the beautiful 1.5-mile trail planting wildflower seed balls.



Visitors could also visit the Coastal Bend College's Pollinator Preservation Garden, enjoy family activities and games, and participate in the butterfly release. The Coastal Bend College shared bee facts and answered questions about pollinators, free wildflower seeds and literature was provided, and visitors could learn more about Beeville Main Street's efforts to plant gardens for monarchs and other pollinators. Beeville Main Street planted over 500 pollinator friendly plants in the 26 garden islands downtown for Spring 2019.

Bee Jamboree raises awareness of what pollinators need to survive and thrive and shares scientific evidence about the need of preserving and/or creating pollinator gardens.

POLLINATOR HEALTH & HABITAT

Beeville Main Street cultivated more than 100 milkweed plants in the 26 downtown gardens. We are excited to state that monarch butterflies feasted and made homes in our gardens.

Beeville Main Street plants over 500 native plants each year in the gardens. Care is taken to create an environment that is pesticide-free and provides a rich environment for pollinators to thrive.

Plants included in the gardens are lantana, vinca, salvia, zinnias, impatient, marigolds, hibiscus, begonias, basil, citrus trees, and many more!



Monarch caterpillar in December

POLICIES & PRACTICES

Beeville Main Street discourages the use of pesticides.

Recommended Locally Native Plant Species List —
<http://www.cityofbeeveilemainstreet.com/bee-city-usa>

Regional Native Plant Supplier List —
<http://www.cityofbeeveilemainstreet.com/bee-city-usa>

Pollinator Friendly Integrated Pest Management Plan —
<http://www.cityofbeeveilemainstreet.com/bee-city-usa>

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