Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

Coastal Bend College participated in a tree planting event, I am not aware of other non-CBC events.

Education & Outreach

The committee hosted five events last year: A tree planting event involving PTK members, a virtual brown bag lunch lecture series, a bee conservation essay contest, an Eagle Scout project with the local Boy Scout troop, and a bee sculpture fund-raiser developed with the Coastal Bend College foundation.
Courses & Continuing Education

BIOL 1306 (General Biology for Majors) and BIOL 2306 (Environmental Biology) both incorporate topics related to pollinator conservation.

Service-Learning

Covid 19 had a significant impact on our service-learning activities. However, we did launch some innovative projects through our foundation. As part of our pollinator awareness program, we created a student essay project. Students submitted essays on pollinator conservation. A committee scored these essays and awarded the top 5 winners a $2,000 scholarship. These essays were then used by a local Eagle Scout candidate to creative educational signage for the community walking track. In addition, the foundation sells bee sculptures to local business and community members. The funds generated from these sales are used to fund college scholarships. Once a bee is purchased it is personalized based on the customer's request. A team of skilled artists produce a beautiful customized bee in Coastal Bend College's "Bee Hive." To date, 35 bees have been sold and are located throughout South Texas.
Coastal Bend College Foundation has been instrumental in partnering with community members to enhance pollinator awareness efforts and provide financial resources for CBC students.

Local artists, many of them CBC alumni, work on bees purchased by local businesses and individuals.

One of 35 bees sold to fund scholarships for Coastal Bend College students.

Educational Signage

All signage was permanent. The college partnered with a local Boy Scout troop and the local high school. An Eagle Scout candidate coordinated the entire project from conception to completion. The college foundation provided the funding and the high school provided the space and equipment to build the signs. This signage was installed along the college’s walking track that is widely used by community members.

Policies & Practices

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List:

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List: