

Bee City USA - Fort Bragg

Report on 2020

Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

We maintained our Fort Bragg Bee City Garden in a downtown park with monthly socially distanced work sessions, 3-4 people each time. We had major plans to expand the garden in 2020 that had been approved by the Parks Department but had to be postponed and remain so at this time. We installed a new native plant garden at Fort Bragg High School in collaboration with two non-profits. Four student interns from the non-profit Noyo Food Forest's programs, two professionals from the non-profits and three volunteers installed the garden. Several weeks of preparation by Conservation Works and the Bee City committee went into developing the plant list appropriate for the location. In order to get a permit for this event, a sustained effort went into planning and documenting the tightly scripted planting following local pandemic regulations. Students learned about the plants and the pollinators they support while helping to plant the garden.



A view of the garden awarded the 2020 Fort Bragg Bee City Garden of the Year



Another view of the 2020 Fort Bragg Bee City Garden of the Year, which fills the home's entire yard.

Education & Outreach

We hosted two gardening Zoom classes with 15 attendees each on vegetable gardening for people and pollinators. These events lacked the hand-on component of classes but were well received by the attendees. In collaboration with the Fort



Bragg Garden Club, we awarded the annual Fort Bragg Bee City USA Garden of the Year Award. The Garden Club identifies up to five prospects and our committee chooses the winner. Although local press covered this activity, other years the presentation of this and other local garden awards has been a large event, which we could not hold this year. The award was delivered to the winner at home.

Policies & Practices

The City of Fort Bragg has developed a IPM plan that relates to City owned property. Our educational activities advocate the elimination of pesticides or the exclusive use of organic OMRI registered pesticides. We have eliminated pesticides at the gardens we develop and/or maintain.

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List:

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

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Working in the Bee City Garden, Fort Bragg Bee City Committee volunteers, l. to r. Johanna Brekke-Brownell, City Council member Lindy Peters, Peggy Martin.

