

# Bee Campus USA - Owens Community College Findlay

Report on 2022



## Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

Pollinator habitats were maintained in 2022. Milkweed seeds were naturally spread through the natural areas around campus.

*Please check all that describe the habitats your affiliate helped to create or enhance last year with pollinator benefit in mind.*

- **Native milkweed planting for monarchs and bees (where appropriate)**

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## Education & Outreach

February 24th 2022 – Robert Connour, co-chair of Bee Campus USA – Owens Findlay spoke at the Winter Speaker Series for the Hancock County Park District. Bob discussed the Bee Campus USA program at Owens and the roll pollinators play in the environment. He also discussed the communities role in protecting pollinators and what can be done to provide pollinators with a healthy habitat. May 24th 2022 – Tara Carter, co-chair of Bee Campus USA – Owens Findlay, spoke with the children at the Child Education Center about what types of bees exist in the bee hive and the role of bees in the hives themselves and as pollinators in the environment. The child care center were able to see components of the hive close up and explained how new bees get introduced into the hive. October 19th, 2022 – Owens Findlay Bee Campus USA committee held its first honey harvest event since 2019. The honey harvest was an open-house structured event. Honey was harvested from the 2022 hives and were bottled by the Owens' community members. Tara and Bob, co-chairs of Bee Campus Owens Findlay were also available to answer questions about the Bee Campus USA project and the Owens bees. Donations were accepted for honey. These funds help maintain healthy hives for the Owens Community College Findlay bees.

*How many pollinator-related events did your affiliate host or help with last year (in total)?*

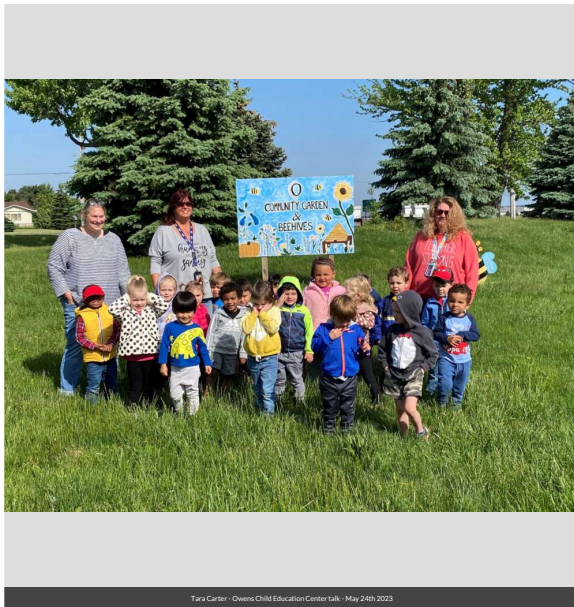
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*How many people attended those events (in total)?*

85



Bob Connour - Harrock Park District - Winter Series Speaker - February 24th 2022



Tara Carter - Owens Child Education Center talk - May 24th 2023



Honey Harvest - October 19th 2022

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## Courses & Continuing Education

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## Service-Learning

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## Educational Signage

Bee campus USA signs at the entrances of the campus were maintained in 2022

*Number of permanent interpretive/educational/Bee Campus USA signs installed to date?*

2

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## Policies & Practices

Pest management actions were continued into 2022. No new changes occurred in 2022.

*What actions have you taken to make pest management practices more pollinator-friendly?*

- Implemented or maintained a written IPM plan

- Avoided use of pesticides in public sites containing designated pollinator habitat or other sensitive features (except when targeted use is deemed the best option for invasive or noxious weed, insect or disease management)

*In your city or campus, are any policy initiatives underway to further protect pollinators, people or waterways from pesticides?*

*Please describe actions by your affiliate to attend training on ecologically-based Integrated Pest Management and/or to review IPM plans and programs considered of high quality by Bee City USA?*

**Integrated Pest Management Plan:** [OPHI Pollinator Job Sheet Standard Establishment Owens Community College.pdf](#)

**Recommended Native Plant List:**

**Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:**

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