

Bee City USA - Pittman Center

Report on 2023



Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

Please describe pollinator habitat creation or enhancement projects in your community in 2023, and whether your committee hosted them or not.

The planting of flower gardens by the Town at all of our signs.

How many habitat projects did you help to create or enhance in 2023?

1

How many people (staff, volunteers, students, partners, etc.) helped with those projects?

9

How many projects benefit monarchs, milkweed, or nectar plantings?

1

How many total square feet of habitat were created or enhanced?

800

Please check all that describe the habitats your affiliate helped to create or enhance in 2023 with pollinator benefit in mind.

- Flower garden
- Natural area with tree snags and stumps, and bare areas for ground nesting species
- Meadow
- Pollinator-friendly lawn (with flowering clover, dandelions...)
- Native pollinator-friendly tree planting
- Native pollinator-friendly shrub border/hedgerow planting

Education & Outreach

Please describe pollinator conservation events or outreach activities in your community in 2023, indicating whether your committee hosted them or not.

Ongoing process of keeping the vegetation from being completely mowed off each year at our Spring Branch Walking Trail. Allowing our native mountain flowers to thrive. Encouraging tree growth and leaving the ground cover/leaves longer for nesting.

How many pollinator-related events or outreach activities did you host or help with in 2023 (in total)?

1

How many people attended those events (in total)?

300

How many Bee City USA logo street signs have you installed to date (in total)?

4



Policies & Practices

Please describe actions taken to make pest management more pollinator-friendly.

Less mowing, letting flowers and grass to grow alongside streams. Planting of flowering plants at City Hall and at our City Signs.

Please check actions you have taken to make pest management practices more pollinator-friendly.

- **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)**

Are efforts underway in your community to further reduce pesticide use in residential or business areas? This may include neighborhood-led efforts, outreach to landscapers, etc. If so, please describe.

Less spraying

Any lessons learned you would like to share?

Leaving the fallen leaves and small twigs are helpful for the bees to burrow and survive harsh winters.

Learn More

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List:

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

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