

Bee City USA - Thompson's Station

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 Town partnered with a scout troop for an eagle project to create a pollinator garden in Preservation Park, adjacent to the Town's Community Gardens and greenway.

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?

10

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

1

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

80000

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
- Invasive/exotic plant species removal for habitat improvement

Education & Outreach

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

The Town updated our Parks Master Plan, which included 2 open houses and a public survey, where conservation of green space, including pollinator habitats were highlighted as an important goal for the community.

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)?

1

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

1

Policies & Practices

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

The Town reduced our pest management process to a minimum last year within the parks in order to be as pollinator-friendly as possible.

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

Not currently

Did your committee participate in any continuing education on ecologically-based Integrated Pest Management planning?

The Town revised our development regulations for prohibit all invasive plant species and encourage native species, with a minimum 50% of all landscape material used to meet landscape requirements now required to be natives.

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

- **Only use pesticides as a last resort within the 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)**

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.

Not currently

Any lessons learned you would like to share?

None

Learn More

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List: [Tree and Plant List- Land Development Manual.pdf](#)

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

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