

Bee Campus USA - Ohio University Athens

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.

Award winning student project included installing a Pollinator Garden at historic Bingham House, committee member involved.

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

2

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

12

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

2

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

250

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

- Flower garden
- Vegetable garden
- Pollinator-friendly lawn (with flowering clover, dandelions...)
- 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.

Committee members hosted Ohio University Earth Day and Arbor Day Celebration highlighting Bee Campus USA, members participated in 34 university resource fairs with Bee Campus pamphlets and information, members participated in 10 Ohio University Bobcat Sibling orientation events where yough learned about Monarch Waystation at OHIO Ecohouse and made and planted a sustainable flower planter. Member also discussed Bee Campus in guest lectures, in course Environmental Studies 4832, summer Green Camp, with Summer Sustainability intern, on Ecohouse tours and during Ecohouse Seminar. Also, student pollinator garden project presented at Student Research Expo and won a presentation award.

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

67

How many people attended those events (in total)?

600



Lily Schaefer Ohio University Student Research Expo. Photo by Sam Crowl



Student Committee member Isabel Stitckick and Kate Harmon at Field Hockey Green Game tabling event. Photo by Sam Crowl



Native Planting Rain Garden sign at Child Development Center. Photo by Sam Crowl



2023 Earth Day Parade. Photo by Sam Crowl

Curriculum, Continuing Education, & Service Learning

How many service-learning projects did your campus host and/or support to enhance pollinator habitat on- and off- campus?

1

How many students participated in service-learning projects in 2023 to enhance pollinator habitat on or off-campus?

3

Please describe the service-learning projects your students were engaged in 2023, indicating which, if any, were associated with a course.

Student led installation of new Pollinator garden in spring 2023, and 2 additional students maintained garden in summer and fall.



Bobcat Sibling Orientation sustainable planters activity. Photo by Sam Crowl

Policies & Practices

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

Continued working directly with Grounds staff.

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

yes

Please check actions you have 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)

Learn More

Integrated Pest Management Plan: [Ohio University Integrated Pest Management Plan.pdf](#)

<https://webcms.ohio.edu/sites/default/files/sites/facilities/files/Integrated%20Pest%20Management%20Plan.pdf>

Recommended Native Plant List: [Ohio University Recommended Native Plant List.docx](#)

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List: [Ohio University Recommended Native Plant Supplier List.docx](#)

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