

# Bee Campus USA - Blackburn College

Report on 2024

## Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

*Please describe pollinator habitat creation or enhancement projects in your community in 2024, and whether your committee hosted them or not.*

The above mentioned Campus Beautification day lead to the creation/enhancement of multiple sites for pollinators on campus.

*How many habitat projects did you help to create or enhance in 2024?*

5

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

100

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

5

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

100000

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

- Flower garden
- Natural area with tree snags and stumps, and bare areas for ground nesting species
- Pollinator-friendly lawn (with flowering clover, dandelions...)
- Invasive/exotic plant species removal for habitat improvement
- 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 2024, indicating whether your committee hosted them or not.*

**Campus Beautification day includes students, faculty, staff, alumni and community members coming together to plant trees and install flower/shrub planting throughout campus. Our unique Apiology class is offered to both students and community members interested in Beekeeping/Pollinators.**

*How many pollinator-related events or outreach activities did you host or help with in 2024 (in total)?*

2

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

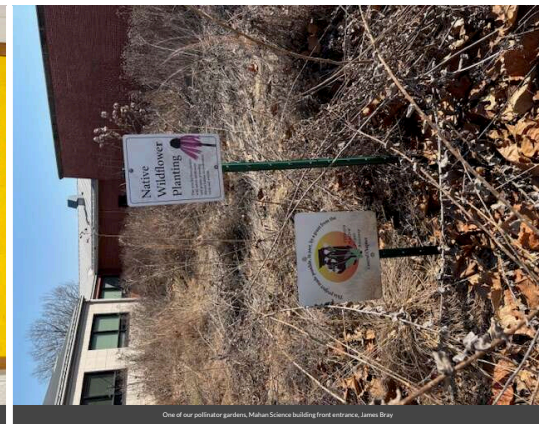
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Space for our operating apiary on campus, James Bray



Native Bee poster, student photos and prepared by student for display in science building hallway, James Bray



One of our pollinator gardens, Mahan Science building front entrance, James Bray

## Curriculum, Continuing Education, & Service Learning

*Please describe the curriculum your campus engaged in 2024, indicating whether it was part of a for-credit course or continuing education.*

**NS320 Apiology covers beekeeping and pollinator-friendly areas. BI132 Plants Humanities and Life includes course material on pollinators BI202 Botany includes course material on pollinators**

*How many of your for-credit courses included pollinator-related information in 2024?*

3

*How many students attended those for-credit courses?*

51

Please describe the service-learning projects your students were engaged in 2024, indicating which, if any, were associated with a course.

**Campus Beautification Day includes many current students who help with installing plantings throughout campus**

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 2024 to enhance pollinator habitat on or off-campus?

**30**

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## Policies & Practices

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

**Our written IPM protocols limit the use of pesticides and we continually work to use the latest, most pollinator-friendly chemicals where absolutely necessary.**

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

**None that we are aware of, we do work closely with the city leaders in both the Bee and Tree City work.**

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

**No**

Any lessons learned you would like to share?

**The more areas on campus that can be converted from "lawns" to natural areas is key to becoming more pollinator friendly**

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## Committee Photo

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### Learn More

**Integrated Pest Management Plan:** [Blackburn - IPM PEST MANAGEMENT, 2019.pdf](#)

**Recommended Native Plant List:** [Blackburn plant list 2020.pdf](#)

**Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:** [Native Plant Suppliers.pdf](#)

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