

Bee City USA - Grapevine

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.

Happy to Help Saturday (2) – hosted – Volunteers removed invasive plants in our 4-acre Pollinator Prairie. Removing these plants allow the pollinator-attracting native grasses and plants thrive. Invasive removal project – hosted – Corporate employees removed invasive grasses from a habitat restoration area.

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

3

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

70

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

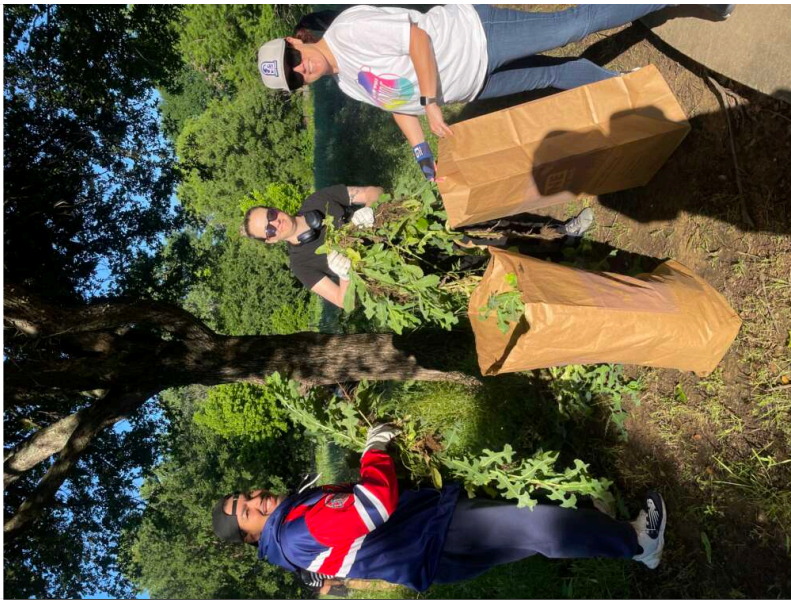
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How many total square feet of habitat were created or enhanced?

174240

Please check all that describe the habitats your affiliate helped to create or enhance in 2024 with pollinator benefit in mind.

- Natural area with tree snags and stumps, and bare areas for ground nesting species
- Meadow
- Pollinator-friendly lawn (with flowering clover, dandelions...)



Team members from Meow Wolf Grapevine removed invasive plants from pollinator habitat. Credit: Cindy Harris



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Education & Outreach

Please describe pollinator conservation events or outreach activities in your community in 2024, indicating whether your committee hosted them or not.

1. Butterfly Flutterby – cohosted – By partnering with the City's Convention and Visitors Bureau, this annual event celebrates Monarch butterflies and their migration from Canada to Mexico by way of Grapevine. Education and hands-on activities are located in one of our most beautiful parks, the Grapevine Botanical Gardens. 2. ECO Talk (educational lecture) – hosted – “Tough Texas Perennials” presented by Master Gardener. These plants are not only hearty for the North Texas climate, but are naturally pollinator-friendly. 3. ECO Talk (educational lecture) – hosted – “Turf Alternatives” presented by Tarrant Regional Water District. Included landscaping basics for water conservation and detailed plant list for including in these spaces. As a bonus, many of these plants are also pollinator-friendly such as lantana, butterflyweed and Gregg’s mistflower.

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

3

How many people attended those events (in total)?

1645



Keep Grapevine Beautiful Vice-President, D'Ray Moore, shares educational information with attendees at Butterfly Flutterby. Credit: Kathy Nelson



Keep Grapevine Beautiful board member Melanie Lamb shares educational information with attendees at Butterfly Flutterby. Credit: Kathy Nelson

Policies & Practices

Please describe actions taken to make pest management 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)
- Dropped pesticide use altogether

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.

No

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

No

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

No

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)

- Dropped pesticide use altogether on city or campus grounds
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Committee Photo

Learn More

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List:

<https://gograpevine.com/get-involved/parks-programs/bee-city-usa/>

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

<https://gograpevine.com/get-involved/parks-programs/bee-city-usa/>

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