

# Bee City USA - Medford

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.*

**All the projects listed above were habitat enhancement projects.**

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

6

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

200

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

6

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

10000

*Please check all that describe the habitats your affiliate helped to create or enhance in 2024 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...)
- Herb garden
- Native milkweed planting for monarchs and bees (where appropriate)
- Invasive/exotic plant species removal for habitat improvement
- Native pollinator-friendly tree planting
- Native pollinator-friendly shrub border/hedgerow planting

- Rain garden/bioswale
- School garden

## Education & Outreach

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

We host volunteer gardening parties to weed and maintain our 4 dedicated native, pollinator habitat and monarch waystation gardens, participated in Bear Creek Greenway Clean-Up days twice/ year, supported the Railroad park pollinator garden revitalization and supported the Griffin Creek Elementary Butterfly and pollinator garden revitaliation.

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

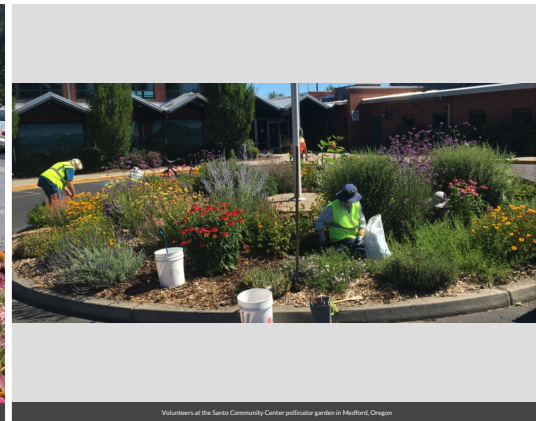
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*How many people attended those events (in total)?*

200

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

5



## Policies & Practices

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

**Our City has a comprehensive and progressive IPM plan.**

*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.*

**We are in alliance with fellow neighboring Bee Cities for overall education and awareness about pesticide reduction and awareness and at every volunteer party we share information and educational materials to encourage the reduction or elimination of pesticide use and support native and organic planting.**

*In your city or campus, are any policy initiatives underway to further protect pollinators, people or waterways from pesticides?*  
**Not that we are aware of**

*Did your committee participate in any continuing education on ecologically-based Integrated Pest Management planning?*  
**Not that I'm aware of**

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

- Implemented or maintained a written IPM plan
- 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)
- Reduced the total area of city or campus-managed lands to which pesticides are applied
- Eliminated use of neonicotinoid insecticides on city or campus grounds
- Distributed educational materials to residents or students to encourage the reduction or elimination of pesticide use
- Sourced plants for city or campus grounds using “Buying Bee-Safe Plants” methods recommended by Xerces Society. (See <https://xerces.org/publications/fact-sheets/buying-bee-safe-plants>)
- Sourced plants for city or campus grounds that were not treated with neonicotinoids
- Encouraged developers and private landscapers to source plants using “Buying Bee-Safe Plants” methods recommended by Xerces Society. (See <https://xerces.org/publications/fact-sheets/buying-bee-safe-plants>)
- Encouraged developers and private landscapers to source plants that were not treated with neonicotinoids

## Committee Photo

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Learn More

**Integrated Pest Management Plan:** [Integrated Pest Management Document.doc](#)

**Recommended Native Plant List:**

**Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:**

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