

Bee City USA - Twin Falls

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 2024 plant sale helped to enhance homeowners landscaping.

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

27

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

3

Education & Outreach

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

Hosted the 2024 Plant sale of native plants. 125 native plant trays of 32 plants were sold. We also were part of a booth at our Home & Garden Show in February highlighting the benefits of native plants. We sponsored a pesticide applicators class encouraging the best IPM practices.

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

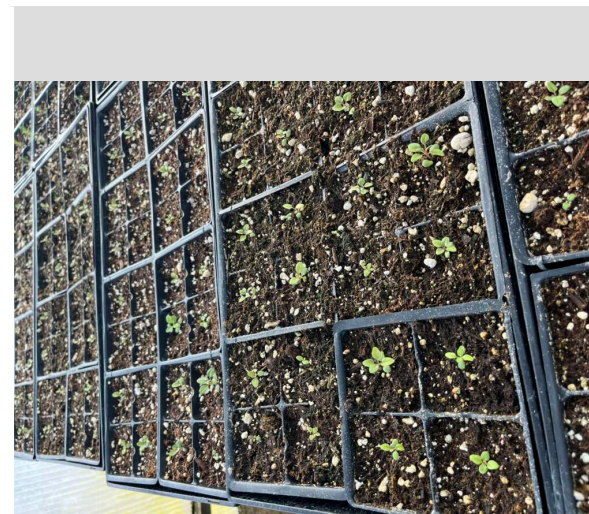
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How many people attended those events (in total)?

3000

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

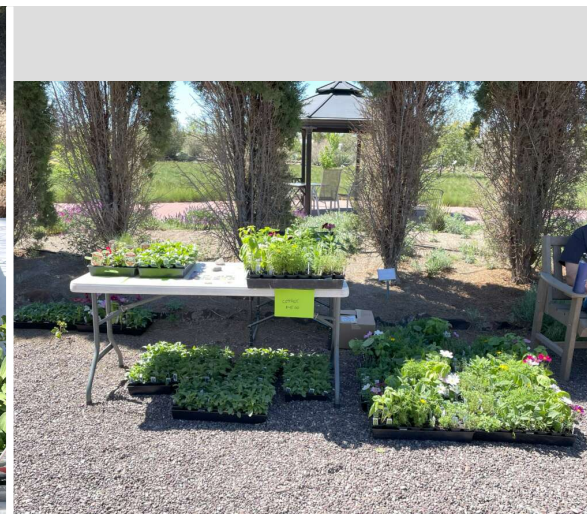
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2024 Plant sale - plants are coming up nicely! (Native Roots)



2024 Plant sale offerings.



Orton Botanical Garden plant sale (D. Snyder)



Tom Courtney Park (Times-News)

Policies & Practices

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

Sponsored a pesticide class highlighting best IPM practices. Our city has adjusted their approach to be more timely and programmed response to herbicide applications which reduced their annual chemical budget by 5%. This trend is likely to continue to a certain point, then level off as they approach minimum needs. The city is starting to be more proactive with early response and less reactive to public requests for week control – only responding to noxious weeds or those interfering with public access or infrastructure.

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.

Nothing at this time.

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

None at this time

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

Pesticide applicators class.

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

Committee Photo

Learn More

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List: [native plant characteristics.xlsx](#)

<https://www.tfid.org/documentcenter/view/4084>

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

<https://idahonativeplants.org/native-plant-resources/>

<http://tfpollinatorcouncil.org/>
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