

Bee City USA - Wilsonville

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.

As mentioned above, the City of Wilsonville partnered with Friends of Trees to offer a planting event.

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

1

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

25

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

1

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

7000

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

- **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.

The City of Wilsonville partnered with other organizations, such as Friends of Trees and the school district, to offer two events that included: 1. Earth Day (April 24th) event at the school district environmental center that included native plants, composting, seed balls, and other items and activities. 2. Friends of Trees pollinator hedgerow planting event (March 9th) at a public park in Wilsonville. Volunteers installed 1,100 native plants important to a variety of pollinators. The City's committee was invited to the events.

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

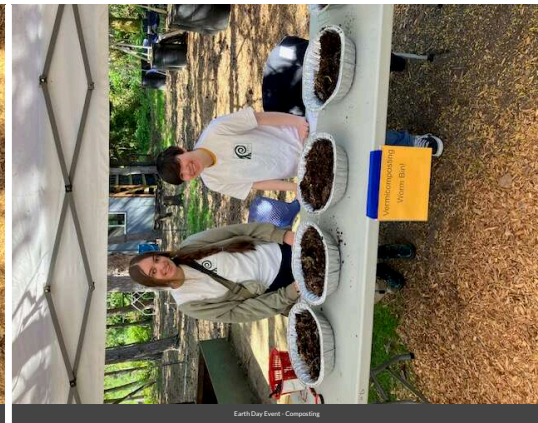
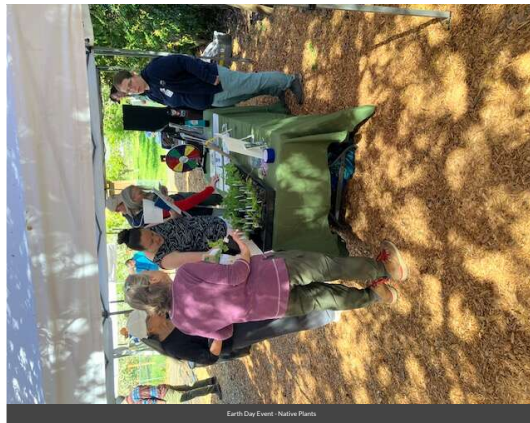
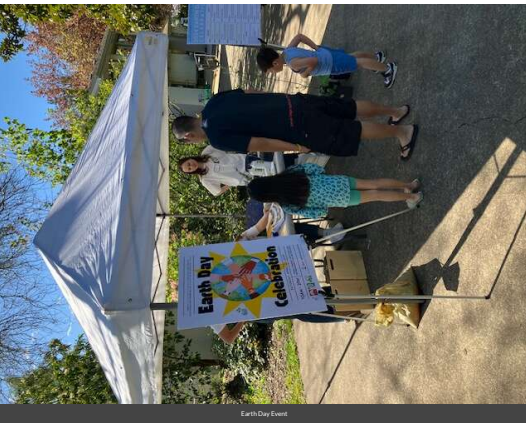
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How many people attended those events (in total)?

150

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

6





Policies & Practices

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

City staff continue to find new and innovative ways to manage pests, such as goats and a weed steamer, to reduce the use of pesticides.

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.

The City of Wilsonville has a partnership with the Backyard Habitat Certification Program. The program offers advice for natural gardening, information on the benefits of weed removal and native plantings, on-site stormwater management, and how each of these works together to keep our water and air clean, while providing crucial habitat for wildlife.

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

No new initiatives were started in 2024.

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

Committee members are encouraged to learn about ecologically based IPM planning.

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)**
- **Implemented non-chemical pest prevention and management methods on city or campus grounds**
- **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**

Any lessons learned you would like to share?

The City of Wilsonville has taken a lead role in addressing Mediterranean Oak Borer (MOB) in Oregon. In response to the emergent threat posed by MOB, City staff collaborated with key stakeholders, such as the Oregon Department of Agriculture, the Oregon Department of Forestry, Metro, and leading arborists, to develop and implement treatment strategies to mitigate the impact of a local MOB infestation.

Committee Photo

Learn More

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List:

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

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