

Million Pollinator Garden Challenge

Everyone can answer this call to action to preserve and create gardens and landscapes that help revive the health of bees, butterflies, birds, bats and other pollinators across the country. We will move millions of individuals, kids and families outdoors and make a connection between pollinators and the healthy food people eat.

Three Simple Steps



Plant Something for Pollinators



Register Your Garden at MillionPollinatorGardens.org



Spread The Word and Get Others to Join In!

Pollinator Gardens Should:

- Use plants that provide nectar and pollen sources
- Provide a water source
- Be situated in sunny areas with wind breaks
- Create large "pollinator targets" of native or non-invasive plants
- Establish continuous bloom throughout the growing season
- Eliminate or minimize the impact of pesticides

Register your Garden to BEE Counted

Add a photo of your garden or landscape to the S.H.A.R.E map. Anyone and any size garden can join in our campaign to reach one million sites for pollinators!

Keep the Challenge Growing!

Invite others to your garden and talk to everyone about the importance of pollinators and how you can help!

Need help finding the right plants in your area? Ask your local nursery, native plant society, public garden, nature center or state university extension master gardener program.

For more gardening tips for pollinator friendly planting: MillionPollinatorGardens.org

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THANKS FOR JOINING THE MILLION POLLINATOR GARDEN CHALLENGE WE ARE GLAD TO HAVE YOU INVOLVED.

DID YOU KNOW?



Anyone can be a Citizen Scientist!

You can be part of a collaborative effort to track and conserve pollinators by collecting data on pollinators in your yard, garden, school and park. Citizen science projects are helping to establish baseline information on pollination services for the entire country and critical resources for pollinators, while also helping scientists to identify areas of conservation concern.



Pollinators are responsible for 1 out of 3 bites of food we take each day.

Pollinated foods are super foods, as many essential nutrients and antioxidants we consume come from plant products that are pollinator dependent. Despite their importance, they are at pivotal point in their own survival. Many reasons contribute to their recent decline. We know for certain, however, that more nectar and pollen sources provided by more flowering plants and trees will help improve their health and numbers. Increasing the number of gardens and pollinator-friendly landscapes will help revive the health of bees, butterflies, birds, bats and other pollinators across the country. Every household, business, community and school can provide food and habitat for pollinators.



How Professionals are Helping

Nursery & Landscape Professionals, Farmers, Horticulturists, and Land Managers are providing pollinator habitat and using pollinator safe land management practices. Landscape Designers and Landscape Architects are key players in improving pollinator habitats that provide invaluable ecological services. Pollinator-friendly practices are being used for roadside vegetation management for State DOTs, transportation agencies and roadside managers. Local Government and City Planners are getting involved through the Mayor's Pollinator Protection Task Force and the Mayor's Monarch Pledge.

Help Us Plant One Million Gardens



The Million Pollinator Garden Challenge was launched by The National Pollinator Garden Network (NPGN), a collaboration of stakeholders from horticulture business, garden, pollinator, and conservation communities working together to support the health of pollinating animals. Eight founding private nonprofit members convened in Fall 2014 to propose public/private sector efforts to help restore critical pollinator populations in support of the President's National Strategy to "Promote the Health of Honey Bees and Other Pollinators."