

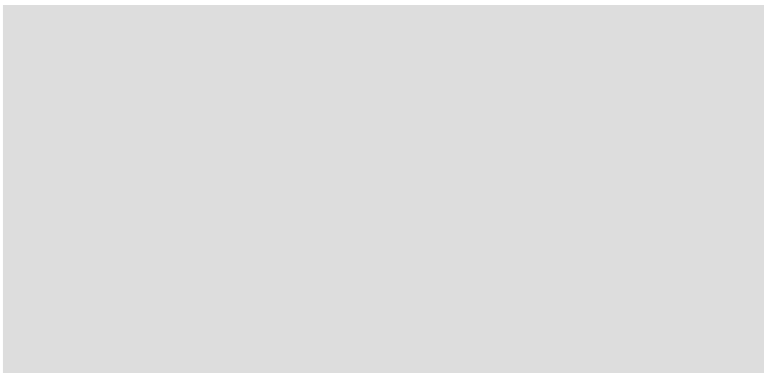
Bee City USA - Vienna

Report on 2020

Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

Of most importance, the Town completed extensive restoration of a stream running through Town to reduce erosion and improve habitat. As part of this restoration over 1,000 native trees and shrubs were planted over 1,400 linear feet. Habitat enhancements were also made through additional plantings at Town pollinator gardens located at a Town park and the Town Community Center. There has also been substantial expansion of milkweed growth along the Town bike path and in another Town park. The Town Learning Garden continues to attract pollinators in great numbers by adding species useful to them. Finally, volunteers in Town organized multiple efforts to remove garlic mustard, English Ivy, Japanese bush honeysuckle, and multiflora rose from five Town parks freeing up habitat for the reintroduction of native species.





Piney Branch Restoration Before and After



Community Center Pollinator Garden

Education & Outreach

COVID-19 greatly restricted our education and outreach efforts in 2020 but some worthwhile efforts since our initial Bee City Certification did occur as discussed below. The Town sponsored and managed a native plant sale to promote pollinators. Also, a local garden club held another event featuring native plants that support pollinators. The Town Arborist made a pollinator habitat presentation to interested students at a local elementary school. Relatedly, the Town sponsored classes for residents on herb propagation, garden mulching, organic pest control, and berry growing. The Town, in partnership with a local Senior Girl Scout Troop, is organizing classes at the Town native plant garden to promote pollinator enhancement in the spring 2021.



Policies & Practices

The Town has replaced Roundup and other harmful chemicals with an ecofriendly vinegar-based herbicide to control weeds along roadways and other Town properties. Also, the Town has employed appropriate irrigation management to prevent the buildup of pests, disease and weed pressure. Collectively, the Town of Vienna has almost completely eliminated the use of toxic herbicides and pesticides on Town properties. As mentioned above, the Town has also offered a class on organic pest control to Town residents.

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List:

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

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