

Bee Campus USA - Delta College

Report on 2020



Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

Planted 406, 2-3-year-old perennials. 116 were nectar producing plants. Planted wildflower seed along $\frac{1}{4}$ of newly graded hiking trail. Invasive plants were removed from pollinator trail corridor and prepared for planting. Continued maintenance of monarch mound to support waystation certification.





Education & Outreach

Partnership with Saginaw Basin Land Conservancy and Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy Environmental Club An initial information session was held with the SASA Environmental Club where students were introduced different pollinator projects that were occurring in the Great Lakes Bay Region. Our committee discussed Delta College becoming a Bee Campus USA certified campus and the potential for cities to become involved and highlighted some of the projects that we were working on to enhance our pollinator spaces. WNEM TV5 Interview (Common Good – Backyard Beekeeping Series) Wendy Harness, a member of our committee was interviewed on the local morning wake-up news show to bring awareness to our Common Good series of sustainability sessions, specifically Backyard Beekeeping. It was an opportunity highlight the importance of pollinators and present opportunities to learn more to a larger audience. Scheduled Events (did not occur due to COVID-19): Partnership with Saginaw Basin Land Conservancy and Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy Environmental Club Our committee was scheduled to host a bee box building event at our Downtown Saginaw Campus in April 2020. Our committee along with Delta College BTEch students and staff from Saginaw Basin Land Conservancy were to assist SASA students in building bee boxes that were to be utilized on SBLC nature preserves throughout the area Potential Participation: 30 Staff & Students ☐ Earth Day 2020 Pollinator Presentation: Janet Malusi, a local beekeeper, was scheduled to speak during our annual Earth Day events to educate on the bee population and the benefits of beekeeping. Potential Participation: Open to the entire campus population in addition to community members; past participation 50-75 people Sustainability Rep Outreach Sessions These sessions are run by students and are accessible to our entire campus community. Sustainability Reps introduce Bee Campus USA, offer opportunities to volunteer for campus projects and offer tours of pollinator spaces. Winter 2020 January: 1 Event - Winter Learning Day (Staff/Faculty Focused) March: 2 Events (Student Focused – General Awareness) April: 2 Events (Student Focused – General Awareness – Tied to Earth Day) Spring/Summer 2020 May: 1 Event (Student/Focused) June: 1 Event (Staff Focused)





Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy Env. Club Presentation



WNEM TV5 WakeUp Backyard Beekeeping

Courses & Continuing Education





Service-Learning

Scheduled Events (did not occur due to COVID-19): Earth Day 2020 Service Day with Saginaw Basin Land Conservancy
Members of various Delta College Student Clubs & Organizations were scheduled to sign-up to participate in an annual Earth Day clean-up event of blighted areas in our local communities with Saginaw Basin Land Conservancy. This annual event is part of The Pollinator Project, an initiative created by SBLC that “uses re-naturalization techniques to stabilize vacant urban land. It helps with crime reduction, boosts community beautification efforts, removes blight, helps threatened pollinators, and reconnects people in the most isolated parts of the community with the people around them.”
<http://www.sblc-mi.org/pollinator-project.html>

Educational Signage

Policies & Practices

Our integrated pest management program focuses on using the least number of pesticides and the minimum amount to manage without trying to control the pest. We use cultural practices, mulching and pruning instead of applying pesticides for weeds and diseases.

Integrated Pest Management Plan: [Delta College IPM Plan.pdf](#)

Recommended Native Plant List: [PERENNIALS.xlsx](#)

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

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