

CITY OF LONDON SUPPORTS POLLINATOR GARDENS

London's Official Plan includes the following pollinator friendly policies:

- Establish London as a key pollinator sanctuary within our region (Policy 58 in Key Directions).
- Promote London as a pollinator sanctuary, considering how we can create and support environments that are conducive to pollinators in all of the planning and public works we are involved with, recognizing the important role that pollinators play in our long-term food security (Policy 659 in City Building Policies).
- Opportunities will be explored for supporting pollinators and food production through landscaping and street tree planting (Policy 239 in City Building Policies).
- Where possible and as appropriate, parks and open spaces will be used to support our food system – creating opportunities for food production and distribution and helping to support pollinators (Policy 410 in City Building Policies).
- Potential naturalization areas ... such as wetland habitat, pollinator habitat, wildlife habitat, or to compensate for trees lost to development (Policy 1378 in Environmental Policies)

RESOURCES:

- BUMBLE BEE WATCH:
[HTTPS://WWW.BUMBLEBEEWATCH.ORG/](https://www.bumblebeewatch.org/)
- BUTTERFLYWAY PROJECT:
[HTTPS://DAVIDSUZUKI.ORG/TAKE-ACTION/ACT-LOCALLY/BUTTERFLYWAY/](https://davidsuzuki.org/take-action/act-locally/butterflyway/)
- ONTARIO WILDFLOWERS:
[HTTP://WWW.ONTARIOWILDFLOWERS.COM](http://www.ontariowildflowers.com)
- POLLINATION CANADA:
[HTTP://WWW.POLLINATIONCANADA.CA](http://www.pollinationcanada.ca)
- POLLINATION GUELPH:
[HTTP://WWW.POLLINATIONGUELPH.CA](http://www.pollinationguelph.ca)
- POLLINATOR PARTNERSHIP:
[HTTPS://WWW.POLLINATOR.ORG/](https://www.pollinator.org/)
- POLLINATOR PATHWAYS SEATTLE:
[HTTP://WWW.POLLINATORPATHWAY.COM](http://www.pollinatorpathway.com)
- XERCES SOCIETY:
[HTTP://WWW.XERCES.ORG/POLLINATOR-CONSERVATION](http://www.xerces.org/pollinator-conservation)



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WHY POLLINATORS?



POLLINATORS ARE ANIMALS THAT POLLINATE OVER 90% OF ALL FLOWERING PLANTS, AND PRIMARILY INCLUDE BEES, HUMMINGBIRDS, FLIES, BUTTERFLIES, MOTHS, AND OTHER INSECTS. ONE OUT OF EVERY THREE BITES OF FOOD YOU EAT IS A DIRECT RESULT OF POLLINATION.

POLLINATORS ARE UNDER THREAT LOCALLY AND AROUND THE WORLD DUE TO A COMBINATION OF FACTORS INCLUDING PESTICIDES, DISEASES, HABITAT DESTRUCTION AND CLIMATE CHANGE. NOT ONLY IS IT IMPORTANT TO CREATE MORE HABITAT (FOR FEEDING AND FOR SHELTER) BUT IT IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT TO LINK TOGETHER THESE CRITICAL HABITAT AS PART OF POLLINATOR CORRIDORS ALONG WHICH POLLINATORS CAN MOVE READILY.



WHAT ARE POLLINATOR PATHWAYS?

POLLINATOR PATHWAYS COMPRISE STRINGS OF HABITAT THAT TOGETHER MAY FORM NETWORKS ALONG WHICH POLLINATORS CAN DISPERSE TO COMPLETE THEIR LIFE CYCLES.

OUR PROJECT ENVISIONS MULTIPLE BACK-YARD, FRONT-YARD, AND BOULEVARD GARDENS ALONG PATHWAYS THAT LINK TOGETHER LARGER NATURAL FEATURES SUCH AS WOODLANDS AND MEADOWS.

LARGER POLLINATOR HABITATS MAY BE CREATED AND MAINTAINED BY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR OTHER TYPES OF ORGANIZATIONS. OUR PROJECT AIMS TO IDENTIFY THE INITIAL CLUSTERS OF POLLINATOR GARDENS, LINK THEM TOGETHER AS PART OF A LARGER NETWORK, AND EMPOWER CITIZENS TO SELF-ORGANIZE FOR THE PATHWAY.

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HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?



DO YOU HAVE ACCESS TO AT LEAST A 1 M BY 1 M AREA THAT COULD BE TURNED INTO A POLLINATOR GARDEN? WE ARE SEEKING PROPERTY OWNERS THROUGHOUT THE CITY TO PLANT POLLINATOR GARDENS, ESPECIALLY ON VISIBLE BOULEVARDS. OUR PROJECT WILL SUPPLY A SIGN, PROVIDE SUPPORT WITH THE PLANTING AND HELP SITUATE THE GARDEN AS PART OF A PATHWAY.



GET STARTED WITH THESE NATIVE PLANTS:

- GROUND COVER: BLUE EYED GRASS, TIARELLA, WILD GINGER, WILD STRAWBERRY
- MEDIUM: ANISE HYSSOP, BROWN-EYED SUSAN, LOBELIA, VERVAIN
- TALL: ASTER, BEARDTONGUE, COLUMBINE, BUTTERFLY WEED, COREOPSIS, GOLDENROD, LIATRIS, MILKWEED, MONARDA, VERONICA
- VERY TALL: CLEMATIS, ECHINACEA, HONEYSUCKLE, IRONWEED, JOE PYE WEED, ORANGE JEWELWEED

