Village of Lincolnshire

Lincolnshire, IL

Mayor Elizabeth Brandt

Pledge Summary

The Village of Lincolnshire, 1957, is a northern suburb of Chicago and is conveniently adjacent to the TriState Tollway. Lincolnshire is home to 7,940 residents, two nationally-recognized public school districts, and over 400 businesses – a number of which are global headquarters and Fortune 500 companies. The Village of Lincolnshire prides itself in its environmental stewardship and its ongoing commitment to monarch butterfly and pollinator habitat education and conservation.

Action Items Committed for 2025

Communications and Convening

- Issue a proclamation to raise awareness about the decline of the monarch butterfly and the species' need for habitat. This proclamation must incorporate a focus on monarch conservation.

Program and Demonstration Gardens

- Host or support a native seed or plant sale, giveaway or swap.
- Plant or maintain a monarch and pollinator-friendly demonstration garden at City Hall or another prominent or culturally significant community location.

Past Pledge Archive

Mayor Name	Program Year	Pledge Date	Achievement
Mayor Elizabeth Brandt	2026	3/16/2026	Signatories
Mayor Elizabeth Brandt	2025	12/2/2024	Signatories
Mayor Elizabeth Brandt	2024	12/4/2023	Signatories
Mayor Elizabeth Brandt	2023	3/27/2023	Signatories
Mayor Elizabeth Brandt	2022	4/28/2022	Signatories
Mayor Elizabeth Brandt	2021	3/5/2021	

Action Items

In total, how many individuals have been reached through the Mayors' Monarch Pledge in your community this year (Jan-Dec)? Please limit your answer to only the

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number of individuals reached in the answer field below (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only.).

500

Of the total number of individuals engaged, how many youth (0-18) were reached through the Mayors' Monarch Pledge in your community this year (Jan. - Dec.)? If none, please write 0." (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only.)

300

In total, how many acres of monarch habitat have been created in your city in the last 12 months? Please limit your answer to only the number of acres in the answer field below (e.g., 3). Note: 1 acre = roughly the size of a football field.

.5

Where was the habitat created this year? Example locations may include residences, schools, places of worship, rights-of-way, roadsides, community gardens, shared public spaces, and more.

Spring Lake Park

How are you leveraging the Mayors' Monarch Pledge program to engage marginalized communities, such as low-income communities or communities of color?

Hosting native plant/seed giveaway with monarch representative from Chicago Botanic Gardens at our free Compost Giveback Event

What was your community's motivation for taking and continuing to work on the Mayors' Monarch Pledge?

To protect and conserve Monarch habitat and population, Lincolnshire hosts a large portion of rare Oak Savannah remaining in Illinois which is a critically endangered natural area that depends on pollinators.

What resources have been most helpful to you thus far and what new resources would you like to see to help meet your goals? What resources would be useful to help expand equitable engagement in community processes and access to high-quality, usable nature?

Resources to access individual native seed packets for Illinois besides Milkweed

What else should we know about your monarch butterfly conservation efforts over the last year?

We hosted a native seed giveaway at our Public Works Open House, as well as a native plant and seed giveaway at our Compost Giveback Event which had a representative from

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the Chicago Botanic Gardens doing table education strictly about the Monarch Butterfly

Selected Action Items

Host or support a native seed or plant sale, giveaway or swap.

Upload any relevant documents, images, or other attachments related to your effort on this action.

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How many plants were sold and/or given away at your event? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

200

How many people attended your event? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

250

What community organizations, groups, or leaders (if any) did you partner with or engage to host the event?

Chicago Botanic Gardens, Lincolnshire Garden Club, Go Green Vernon Hills/Lincolnshire, Vernon Area Public Library

Plant or maintain a monarch and pollinator-friendly demonstration garden at City Hall or another prominent or culturally significant community location.

Where is the demonstration garden located and how does this location relate to the cultural significance of the monarch (if relevant)? (Please provide an address or coordinates, if possible)

Spring Lake Park

What community organizations, groups, or leaders (if any) did you partner with or engage to complete this effort?

Lincolnshire Garden Club

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What is the size of the demonstration garden (in acres)? Please limit your answer to only the number of acres in the answer field below (e.g., 0.5 acres). For reference, 1 acre = 43,560 square feet and is about the size of a football field without the end zones. Note: 1 acre = roughly the size of a football field.

0.03

Issue a proclamation to raise awareness about the decline of the monarch butterfly and the species' need for habitat. This proclamation must incorporate a focus on monarch conservation.

Date of Proclamation:

June 16-22

Title of Proclamation (i.e. – Monarch Day or Pollinator Week):

Pollinator Week

Upload a copy of your proclamation.

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