Village of Deerfield

Deerfield, IL

Mayor Dan Shapiro

Pledge Summary

Deerfield is a Village in Illinois with a population over 19,000.

Action Items Committed for 2022

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

- Plant milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants along roadsides, medians, or public rights-of-way.
- Display educational signage at monarch gardens and pollinator habitat.

Past Pledge Archive

Mayor Name	Program Year	Pledge Date	Achievement
Mayor Dan Shapiro	2025	3/24/2025	
Mayor Daniel Shapiro	2024	1/18/2024	
Mayor Daniel Shapiro	2023	2/23/2023	Signatories
Mayor Dan Shapiro	2022	12/21/2021	Signatories
Mayor Harriet Rosenthal	2021	3/19/2021	Signatories

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

100

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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.)

22 youth 78 adults

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.

3.69

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.

Village right-of-ways and Village owned property

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

The Village is working towards expanding participation with all groups

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

To help restore native pollinator gardens and encourage residents to participate in native plantings

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?

Using the resource tab on the website and working with other communities in the area has helped expand engagement. Were hoping to continue working with other communities and groups to strengthen the effort of saving the monarch butterflies.

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

With the continued expansion of pollinator gardens, the village has received positive feedback from residents and elected officials. The Village is working on converting more turf grass to native plantings in 2023.

Selected Action Items

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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:

12/19/2022

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

Mayors' Monarch Pledge Day

Upload a copy of your proclamation.

Proclamation - Mayors' Monarch Pledge Day.pdf

Display educational signage at monarch gardens and pollinator habitat.

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

Monarch Waystation.jpg

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

Native prairie restoration in progress.jpg

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

VOD Pollinator Habitat.jpg

How many garden signs are being displayed and where are they located? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

9

Please describe the educational information on the sign(s), and provide any links to externally purchased sign(s).

The Village currently has 9 signs with three different forms of information. The first sign labels that garden as a pollinator habitat and states that the habitat provides food and shelter for pollinating insects. This sign was made internally. The next sign is the monarch waystation sign that talks about the benefits of the site for monarch butterflies. This sign was purchased from monarchwatch.org. The last sign that we have displayed is the native

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restoration in progress. This sign is placed at native planting areas that are still undergoing significant maintenance to grow.

Plant milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants along roadsides, medians, or public rights-of-way.

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

Chestnut and North Avenue.pdf

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

Deerfield and Castlewood.pdf

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2022 Native Plant List.pdf

Where are the medians, roadsides and public rights-of-way? (Please provide an address or coordinates, if possible, or describe the location)

The two attached maps show two new sections in the Village right-of-way that are currently in the process of being restored with native and pollinator plants. These areas were cleared of all weeds and invasive species and were treated before new seeds were planting. The contractor that we work with does not use plugs or any plants, rather they plant the seeds. The seeds that were planted are in the attached list. The Village currently has 6 locations where native maintenance and planting is taking place. The coordinates are listed below: Wastewater Reclamation Facility: 42.160079, -87.853739 Sunset Parking Lot: 42.166371, -87.849710 Woodvale Ave: 42.179794, -87.840376 Chestnut and North Ave: 42.181723, -87.854846 Deerfield and Castlewood Ln: 42.167267, -87.870435

How many milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants were planted? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

0

What is the total acreage of median and public right-of-way that has been planted with milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants? Note: 1 acre = roughly the size of a football field.

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Please describe the maintenance schedule for these planted areas.

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The Village has contracted with Foot Stone Inc. to manage and restore these locations. These locations are hand weeded and naturally treated to remove weeds throughout the Spring and Summer. They were seeded this spring and fall.

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