

# City of Fort Lauderdale

Fort Lauderdale, FL

Mayor Dean Trantalis

## Pledge Summary

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## Action Items Committed for 2023

### Program and Demonstration Gardens

- Plant or maintain a monarch and pollinator-friendly demonstration garden at City Hall or another prominent or culturally significant community location.
- Earn or maintain recognition for being a wildlife-friendly city by participating in other wildlife and habitat conservation efforts (i.e., National Wildlife Federation's Community Wildlife Habitat program).
- Display educational signage at monarch gardens and pollinator habitat.

## Past Pledge Archive

Mayor Name	Program Year	Pledge Date	Achievement
Mayor Dean Trantalis	2026	3/27/2026	
Mayor Dean Trantalis	2025	3/26/2025	Signatories
Mayor Dean Trantalis	2024	3/27/2024	Signatories
Mayor Dean Trantalis	2023	12/9/2022	Signatories
Mayor Dean Trantalis	2022	1/19/2022	Signatories
Mayor Dean Trantalis	2021	4/23/2021	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 (e.g., 50).**

50

**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." (Only allow numerical values.)**

Approx. 50 school children visit the Snyder Park Butterfly Garden each year.

**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).**

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**Where is your habitat being created? This may include residences (yards, containers, balconies, etc.), schools, places of worship, rights-of-way, roadsides, community gardens, culturally-significant locations, shared public spaces and common areas or parks.**

Snyder Park 3299 SW 4th Ave Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315

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

The Snyder Park Butterfly Garden and educational program was made possible through key partnerships with the National Recreation and Parks Association, Kids Ecology Corps, and Flamingo Road Nursery. These institutions promote good stewardship of the earth and our natural resources to all with an emphasis of imparting this knowledge to student minority groups.

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

It's essential that younger generations learn the benefits of protecting our ecosystems and the varied creatures that we share this plan with. The Snyder Park Butterfly Garden is the perfect way to educate and entertain children and adults while foster goodwill towards all that mother nature has created for us.

**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?**

The City of Fort Lauderdale's Parks & Recreations team continues to benefit from the monthly outreach the the NWF provides through their newsletters. The content and

information provided in this digital publications continue to help guide the city in growing and further activating the Snyder Park Butterfly Garden.

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

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## Selected Action Items

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

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**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)**

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

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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.**

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**Display educational signage at monarch gardens and pollinator habitat.**

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**How many garden signs are being displayed and where are they located?**

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

Provides pictures with descriptions of commonly encountered butterflies which could be seen within the Monarch habitat.

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

N/A

**What program was launched or maintained to complete this effort? (Please include a link to the program, if possible)**

National Wildlife Federation's Community Habitat Program certification.  
<https://www.nwf.org/CommunityWildlifeHabitat/Community?communityId=71>