Village of Huntley

Huntley, IL

Village President Timothy Hoeft

Pledge Summary

The Village of Huntley has a population of almost 30,000 and is located in Chicago's "Golden Corridor" at the crossroads of I-90 and Route 47. Huntley is among the fastest growing communities in the Chicago area. Village President Hoeft is committed to saving the monarch butterfly and other pollinators by signing the Mayors' Monarch Pledge. The Village of Huntley looks forward to engaging with residents to encourage awareness and engagement to build more pollinator habitats throughout the Village.

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.
- Launch or maintain a public communication effort to encourage residents to plant monarch gardens at their homes or in their neighborhoods. (If you have community members who speak a language other than English, we encourage you to also communicate in that language; Champion Pledges must communicate in that language.)
- Engage with gardening leaders and partners (e.g., Master Naturalists, Master Gardeners, Nature Centers, Native Plant Society Chapters , other long-standing and influential community leaders) to support monarch butterfly conservation.

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

Systems Change

- Integrate monarch butterfly conservation into the city's Park Master Plan, Sustainability Plan, Climate Resiliency Plan or other city plans.

Past Pledge Archive

Mayor Name	Program Year	Pledge Date	Achievement
Village President Timothy Hoeft	2025	1/30/2025	

Created with the DynamicPDF Essentials Edition. [u413:v1.14.0.49966]

Village President Timothy Hoeft	2024	3/25/2024	Signatories
Village President Timothy Hoeft	2023	3/27/2023	Signatories
Village President Timothy Hoeft	2022	1/18/2022	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.).

1000

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.)

400 youths and 600 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.

0.02

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.

Parisek Park, 10881 Allegheny Pass, Village of Huntley

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

We have ensured our events are accessible (financially and physically) to low-income neighborhoods in our community.

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

Village President Hoeft was committed to saving the Monarch Butterfly.

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?

Created with the DynamicPDF Essentials Edition. [u413:v1.14.0.49966]

The National Wildlife Federation webpage resource center. Maybe for financial resources to support the planting of pollinator gardens. More marketing template materials for website, mailers, social media, signage.

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

We are going to integrate the new Monarch Butterfly Pollinator Garden into our GIS system by adding to our Parks & Recreation GIS HUB App to better display location and information about the garden.

Selected Action Items

Launch or maintain a public communication effort to encourage residents to plant monarch gardens at their homes or in their neighborhoods. (If you have community members who speak a language other than English, we encourage you to also communicate in that language; Champion Pledges must communicate in that language.)

Please describe the methods of public communication below (e.g., printed materials, social media, print media).

Integrate monarch butterfly conservation into the city's Park Master Plan, Sustainability Plan, Climate Resiliency Plan or other city plans.

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

What is the status of this action? Please limit your answer to either "complete" or "in progress" in the answer field below.

If this action is Complete, please include the date it was completed and share a 1-2 sentence description. Please include a copy of the policy by uploading or linking below.

If this action is In Progress, please describe your progress and a target date when you plan to complete action.

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:

January 27, 2022

Created with the DynamicPDF Essentials Edition. [u413:v1.14.0.49966]

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

Mayor's Monarch Pledge Day

Upload a copy of your proclamation.

Monarch Butterfly Proclamation 01.13.22.pdf

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

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

Huntley Monarch Butterfly Pollinator Landscape Plan.pdf

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

Huntley Monarch Butterfly Location Exhibit.pdf

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

Huntley Pollinator Garden Planting.Opening Collage.pdf

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)

LOCATION: Parisek Park, 10881 Allegheny Pass, Village of Huntley; Monarch Butterflies provide a connectivity to communities and residents and we wanted to further connect the residents of Huntley to the parks and natural areas in support of the Monarchs.

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

The Village of Huntley Public Works Department; The Village of Huntley Rotary Club; The Village of Huntley Park District.

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.

0.02

Created with the DynamicPDF Essentials Edition. [u413:v1.14.0.49966]

Display educational signage at monarch gardens and pollinator habitat.

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

Huntley Monarch Butterfly Signage.pdf

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

Press Release 6-1-2022.pdf

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

1

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

The garden sign is located at Parisek Park, 10881 Allegheny Pass, Village of Huntley. The educational information provides awareness of the protection and preservation of the garden and a variety of species including the Monarch for visitors of Parisek Park and the Huntley Area Public Library.

Engage with gardening leaders and partners (e.g., Master Naturalists, Master Gardeners, Nature Centers, Native Plant Society Chapters , other long-standing and influential community leaders) to support monarch butterfly conservation.

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

Huntley Pollinator Garden Planting.Opening Collage.pdf

How many community organizations and groups participated? Please list them below.

Village of Huntley; Huntley Park District, Rotary Club of Huntley, the Huntley Area Public Library, and William Ruth Landscaping.

Please describe the extent of engagement with these groups and their monarch butterfly conservation efforts.

Together, the Village of Huntley, Huntley Park District, the Rotary Club of Huntley, and William Ruth Landscape designed, created, and planted the garden and ecosystem east of the Huntley Area Public Library in a lovely, open, sunny setting. Park Property donated by

Created with the DynamicPDF Essentials Edition. [u413:v1.14.0.49966]

the Huntley Park District. Financial contributions by the Village of Huntley and the Rotary Club of Huntley.

Created with the DynamicPDF Essentials Edition. [u413:v1.14.0.49966]