

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 1-90 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 2023

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 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.

Past Pledge Archive

Mayor Name	Program Year	Pledge Date	Achievement
Village President Timothy Hoeft	2025	1/30/2025	
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 (e.g., 50).

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." (Only allow numerical values.)

100 youths; 400 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).

0.01

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.

Bohart Park, 9661 Abbey Road, 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?

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

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:

February 23, 2023

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

Mayor's Monarch Pledge Day

Upload a copy of your proclamation.

[Monarch Butterfly Proclamation 3.2023.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.

[Village of Huntley Monarch Butterfly Collage REDUCED.jpg](#)

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: Bohart Park, 9661 Abbey Road, 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.

0.01

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).

Huntley Pollinator Gardens Protecting and preserving Monarch Butterflies, Bees Birds and Wildlife.