

# Coral Township, McHenry County

Union, IL

Coral Township Supervisor Bill Damisch

## Pledge Summary

Coral Township is phasing in a pollinator garden around one of our outbuildings. Phase 1: Preparing first bed and planting donated plants that attract bees and butterflies such as purple coneflower, black eyed Susan etc. Phase 2: Prepare second bed along fence line with primarily milkweed and joe pyeweed.

## Action Items Committed for 2022

### Communications and Convening

- 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.)

### 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
Township Supervisor William Damisch	2026	1/23/2026	
Coral Township Supervisor Bill Damisch	2025	3/10/2025	Signatories
Coral Township Supervisor Bill Damisch	2024	2/15/2024	Signatories
Coral Township Supervisor Bill Damisch	2023	1/11/2023	Signatories
Coral Township Supervisor Bill Damisch	2022	3/13/2022	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).**

80

**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.)**

2 youth actively 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).**

0

**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.**

local township in an area surrounding a building

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

Not doing at this time due to rural nature of community

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

Interest in helping the pollinators in our area

**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 local FB page that networks all local gardens/Stewards

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

The 1st year challenge of establishing plants/watering in heat with limited water source near.

## **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).**

Our main mode has been through our Township website and FB page. We are a rural community so print materials are not feasible due to cost.

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

**How many plants were sold and/or given away at your event?**

Being our first year we did not have seeds to share but attended a local swap.

**How many people attended your event?**

20

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

Wildflower preservation society, County Defender group and local Monarch stewards

**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)**

Local Township property. 6550 Olson Road, Union IL 60180

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

Lechner Topsoil, Marengo Community HS

**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