Township of Schaumburg

Hoffman Estates, IL

Supervisor Timothy Heneghan

Pledge Summary

Established April 2nd, 1850, the Township of Schaumburg provides human care services to 140,000 residents in the Illinois villages of Elk Grove, Hanover Park, Hoffman Estates, Rolling Meadows, Roselle, Schaumburg and Streamwood. The Township also offers a myriad of social services including, but not limited to, senior, disability and welfare services; local transportation for seniors and people with disabilities; food pantry; unincorporated Township road maintenance; passport and notary public services; property and tax assessment assistance; Deaf services; as well as general information and referral services. In addition, we also partner to provide veterans services, youth and family services and nursing consultations.

Action Items Committed for 2024

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

- Host or support a native seed or plant sale, giveaway or swap.
- Facilitate or support a milkweed seed collection and propagation effort.
- 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
Supervisor Timothy Heneghan	2024	2/23/2024	Signatories
Supervisor Timothy Heneghan	2023	2/1/2023	Signatories

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Supervisor Tim Heneghan	2022	3/29/2022	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.).

60000

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.)

0

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

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.

0

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

n/a

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

We want to continue to spread awareness so that monarch populations rise and continue to benefit our environment.

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?

Promotional materials in multiple languages with facts about monarchs and how to create at home habitats would be great.

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

We try to spread awareness by supporting area native plant sales and garden clubs.

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:

April 24, 2024

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

Monarch Butterfly Month

Upload a copy of your proclamation.

Monarch Month 2024.pdf

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).

We promote two major community native plant sales with two area garden clubs both in our print publications as well as on our social media pages.

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.

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

2 - Schaumburg Community Garden Club and the Hoffman Estates Garden Club.

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

We help promote their native plant sales. We also promote their clubs by posting about them on our social media pages. The Schaumburg Community Garden Club maintains a garden on our property and we share photos when they are out working on it.

Facilitate or support a milkweed seed collection and propagation effort.

How many people attended your event? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

50

What species were collected or propagated?

Tropical Milkweed (Asclepias curassavica), Showy Milkweed (Asclepias speciosa), Common Milkweed (Asclepias syriaca

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

Village of Schaumburg

Please describe the milkweed seed collection and propagation effort that you hosted.

We handed out milkweed at a farmer's market event over the summer.

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)

The milkweed and community garden are both at the Town Hall location.

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

Hoffman Estates Garden Club

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.

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

How many plants were sold and/or given away at your event? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

Not sure - these are not our events. I could reach out to the groups to see if they can share their numbers.

How many people attended your event? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

300

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

Schaumburg Community Garden Club, Hoffman Estates Garden Club,

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