Village of Larchmont

Larchmont, NY

Mayor Sarah Bauer

Pledge Summary

Larchmont Village is located in Westchester County, NY. The population of the Village was at 6630 as of the 2020 census. Larchmont has a total of 7 municipal parks and 1 privately-held, public park. The Village of Larchmont recently passed a native plants and trees resolution to encourage the planting of more native species on municipal grounds. By signing this pledge we look forward to engaging our local residents in creating more pollinator habitats throughout the Village.

Action Items Committed for 2023

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
Mayor Sarah Bauer	2026	4/30/2026	
Mayor Sarah Bauer	2025	3/12/2025	Signatories
Mayor Sarah Bauer	2024	3/25/2024	Signatories
Mayor Sarah Bauer	2023	3/20/2023	Signatories
Mayor Lorraine Walsh	2022	4/19/2022	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

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number of individuals reached in the answer field below (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only.).

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." (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only.)

225 youth and 275 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.

0.01

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.

The location of the restoration site (and the community in which participants planted in their own gardens) is frequented by migrating Monarchs along the North Atlantic Coastline just above New York City. The area has an urban-level population density and has lost the vast majority of open space and native habitat. The restoration of Monarch/pollinator habitat via the restoration has made a significant addition to the pollinator habitat in the municipality.

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

We advertise through social media and community newsletters, as well as perform outreach to schools and other regional organizations, to ensure this information can be reached by all populations.

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

Larchmont has a rich history of environmental action and conservation. The Larchmont-Mamaroneck Pollinator Pathways and Larchmont Environmental Committee are very active in organizing community events and bringing action through local organizations and the Village of Larchmont when it comes to initiatives such as the Mayors' Monarch Pledge.

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?

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We'd be interested in getting milkweed/pollinator seed kits or plantings to provide to a wider range of community groups, aside from the environmentally-focused and government organizations. Also, materials for schools would be great to share as well!

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

All the events and hard work cannot have been performed without the dedication, hard work, and volunteerism of residents of Larchmont and Mamaroneck, who are committed to promoting pollinator conservation and education to the entire Larchmont and Mamaroneck Community.

Selected Action Items

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

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

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Seed Bag.jpg

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

Approximately 3,000-4,000 seeds were given away at the training event.

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

40

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

Larchmont-Mamaroneck Pollinator Pathways, Village of Larchmont, Larchmont Public Library, Larchmont Village Trustee Dana Post,

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

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Kane Park Butterfly.jpg

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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)

A pollinator-supporting ecological restoration was implemented/planted at a local park (Kane Park) in a prominent location (close to Village Hall and adjacent to a heavily traveled road) including the planting of a diversity of local ecotype Common and Rose/Swamp Milkweed and other native plant species

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. Note: 1 acre = roughly the size of a football field.

0.13

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).

Communications were sent to approximately 500 Larchmont community members on the benefits of growing native plants (including to support pollinators and reverse the critical loss of biodiversity) together with invitations to receive free native plant seeds (including

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Milkweed and other Monarch food sources) and attend a training session on how to stratify the seeds for planting in the spring.

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