Arlington

Arlington, TX

Mayor Jim Ross

Pledge Summary

We love being able to help monarch butterflies and being a part of solution.

Action Items Committed for 2024

Program and Demonstration Gardens

- Host or support a native seed or plant sale, giveaway or swap.
- Launch, expand, or continue an invasive species removal program that will support the re-establishment of native habitat for monarch butterflies and other pollinators.

Systems Change

- Change weed or mowing ordinances to allow for native prairie and plant habitats.

Past Pledge Archive

Mayor Name	Program Year	Pledge Date	Achievement
Mayor Jim Ross	2026	2/23/2026	
Mayor Jim Ross	2025	1/8/2025	Signatories
Mayor Jim Ross	2024	2/13/2024	Signatories
Mr. Jim Ross	2023	1/17/2023	Signatories
Mayor Jim Ross	2022	2/22/2022	Signatories
Mayor Jeff Williams	2021	12/4/2020	Leadership Circle

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.).

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

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none, please write 0." (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only.)

200

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.

.75

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.

empty lots and municipal library

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

We are planting more none mow and wildflower area in communities and doing outreach

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

We want to continue to support monarch butterfly migration and habitat

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?

more local help from the national wildlife federation

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

We have kept the momentum going and plan to for the foreseeable future

Selected Action Items

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)

250

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

500

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

Tarrant Co community collage

Launch, expand, or continue an invasive species removal program that will support the re-establishment of native habitat for monarch butterflies and other pollinators.

What is the total acreage of land treated to remove invasive plants? Note: 1 acre = roughly the size of a football field.

40

Please describe the extent of revisions or maintenance to invasive species removal programs, as well as the practices or techniques used to remove the invasive plants.

This park has be invaded by privet. We used goats to eat the privet this is a 3 year process. This winter we will get the goats again. One goat removal has made a difference the second should really make a big difference.

Change weed or mowing ordinances to allow for native prairie and plant habitats.

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

With the citys mowing contractor

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

in progress

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

We are continuing to find areas in the city that can be no mow where we can have wildflower seed.

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