City of Warwick

Warwick, RI

Warwick Mayor Frank Picozzi

Pledge Summary

Warwick is a City with 39 miles of coastline, located just south of RI's capital of Providence. Warwick has a population of approximately 83,000 people and offers lots of outdoor recreation. Warwick City Park is the largest park with 126 acres of walking trails, fields, a dog park and a beach. There are several other smaller parks within the City. Mayor Picozzi is committed to saving the monarch butterfly and other pollinators with the signing of the Mayor's Monarch Pledge and the creation of pollinator gardens throughout the City and looks forward to engaging residents in building their own pollinator habitats throughout the City.

Action Items Committed for 2025

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.)

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
Warwick Mayor Frank Picozzi	2026	1/19/2026	
Warwick Mayor Frank Picozzi	2025	3/3/2025	Signatories
Mayor, Warwick, RI Frank Picozzi	2024	12/4/2023	Signatories

Action Items

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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.).

150

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.)

30

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.

.02

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.

Pollinator garden at Brayton Cemetery, hundreds of packets of pollinator seeds distributed at City Hall and events, used in residents

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

Provide seeds at local events, not sure of demographics.

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

Save the monarchs!

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?

Wildlife and Conservation Commission budget spent on seeds, commissioners working at events.

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

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Couldn't be done without all the Warwick Wildlife and Conservation Commissions hard work!

Selected Action Items

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)

Brayton Cemetery, 3452 Post Road Warwick, RI

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

Warwick Wildlife and Conservation Commission, Warwick Commission on Historical Cemeteries, Tollgate High School

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.

0.02

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 30, 2025

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

Monarch and Pollinator Month

Upload a copy of your proclamation.

Monarch Proclamation 2025.pdf

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

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

over 75

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

100

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

Clouds Hill Victorian House Museum, Southside Community Land Trust, Audubon, DEM,

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Please describe the methods of public communication below (e.g., printed materials, social media, print media).

Pollinator event held in August, series of pamphlets on Website (most recent attached)

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