City of Angleton

Angleton, TX

Mayor Jason Perez

Pledge Summary

Angleton, the County Seat of Brazoria County, prides itself on community spirit and a small-town atmosphere within the Houston metropolitan area. Angleton is approximately 11.3 square miles in size and has a very diverse population of just under 20,000 residents. Mayor Perez of Angleton, TX has committed to saving the monarch butterfly and other pollinators with their signing of the Mayor' Monarch Pledge and looks forward to engaging residents in building more pollinator habitat throughout the city.

Action Items Committed for 2022

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.
- Engage with community garden groups and urge them to plant native milkweeds and nectar-producing plants.
- 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.
- Engage with developers, planners, landscape architects, and other community leaders and organizers engaged in planning processes to identify opportunities to create monarch habitat.
- Create a community art project to enhance and promote monarch and pollinator conservation as well as cultural awareness and recognition.

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.
- Plant milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants along roadsides, medians, or public rights-of-way.
- Launch or maintain an outdoor education program(s) (e.g., at schools, after-school programs, community centers and groups) that builds awareness and creates habitat by engaging students, educators, and the community in planting native milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants (i.e., National Wildlife Federation's Schoolyard Habitats program and Monarch Mission curriculum).

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- Add or maintain native milkweed and nectar-producing plants in gardens in the community.

Systems Change

- Increase the percentage of native plants, shrubs and trees that must be used in city landscaping ordinances and encourage use of milkweed, where appropriate.

Past Pledge Archive

Mayor Name	Program Year	Pledge Date	Achievement
Mayor John Wright	2025	2/7/2025	
Mayor John Wright	2024	12/7/2023	Signatories
Mayor John Wright	2023	4/14/2023	Signatories
Mayor Jason Perez	2022	4/25/2022	Leadership Circle
Mayor Jason Perez	2021	2/8/2021	

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.).

377

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.)

8 youth and 369 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.

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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.

Three community Gardens, public right-of-way, and residential homes (butterfly seed balls)

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

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Yes, through monarch seed ball giveaways and Angleton ISD CATS Academy partnership.

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

Improve beautification throughout Angleton and increase awareness of the importance of conservation efforts specifically for Monarch butterflies.

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?

native planting guidance and informational documents revolved around monarch habitats

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

Surrounding communities are asking how we've implemented these programs so now other communities are getting engaged.

Selected Action Items

Engage with community garden groups and urge them to plant native milkweeds and nectar-producing plants.

Please describe the groups you engaged with and how you engaged with these groups below.

Engage with developers, planners, landscape architects, and other community leaders and organizers engaged in planning processes to identify opportunities to create monarch habitat.

Please describe the extent of engagement with these groups and associated opportunities to create monarch habitat.

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)

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.

Increase the percentage of native plants, shrubs and trees that must be used in city landscaping ordinances and encourage use of milkweed, where appropriate.

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

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

If this action is Complete, please include the date it was completed and share a 1-2 sentence description. Please include a copy of the policy by uploading or linking below.

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

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:

October 25, 2022

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

Monarch Butterfly Month

Upload a copy of your proclamation.

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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.

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

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FB post.jpg

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

Two community organizations Brazoria County Master Gardeners and Texas AgriLife Extension Office of Brazoria County. A number of participants viewed the presentations.

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

Partnered with Brazoria County Master Gardeners for Green Gardening Series including Butterflies & Hummingbirds, Transforming a Barren Side Yard into a Thriving Pollinator Garden, and Butterfly Gardening.

Create a community art project to enhance and promote monarch and pollinator conservation as well as cultural awareness and recognition.

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

Keep Angleton Beautiful

How many individuals were engaged in this effort? Please limit your answer to only the number of individuals reached in the answer field (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only, e.g. 50).

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Please describe the community art project that was implemented in your community and how it contributed to cultural awareness and recognition (e.g., number of art installations, type of art).

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The City of Angleton pursued a third round of artists' submissions to transform traffic signal controller cabinets in Angleton from functional infrastructure into colorful and inspired works of art revolving around Texas wildflower, birds and/or butterflies.

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

200 butterfly seed balls

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?

Rotary, UTMB, Keep Angleton Beautiful, Trees for Houston, Senior Citizens

Facilitate or support a milkweed seed collection and propagation effort.

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

Monarch1.jpg

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

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What species were collected or propagated?

Tropical Milkweed and Giant Milkweed

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

Keep Angleton Beautiful member, city staff, and citizen

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

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Annually, a citizen and KAB member collect milkweed seeds to grow for spring plantings in our various butterfly gardens throughout the community.

Plant milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants along roadsides, medians, or public rights-of-way.

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

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

ROW_plants2.jpg

Where are the medians, roadsides and public rights-of-way? (Please provide an address or coordinates, if possible, or describe the location)

The ROW are located in downtown Angleton. We have about 20 planters that we

How many milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants were planted? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

80

What is the total acreage of median and public right-of-way that has been planted with milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants? Note: 1 acre = roughly the size of a football field.

unknown

Please describe the maintenance schedule for these planted areas.

We have 20 downtown planters that we refresh biannually with native nectar plants.

Launch or maintain an outdoor education program(s) (e.g., at schools, after-school programs, community centers and groups) that builds awareness and creates habitat by engaging students, educators, and the community in planting native milkweed and pollinator-friendly native nectar plants (i.e., National Wildlife Federation's Schoolyard Habitats program and Monarch Mission curriculum).

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What program was launched or maintained to complete this effort? If you are involved with another National Wildlife Federation program, please mention that below. (Please include a link to the program, if possible)

Angleton city staff recently executed an interlocal agreement with the Angleton Independent School District for improvements to the Peach Street detention area. The district's planned outdoor amenities and facilities will include recreational hiking, walking trails and birdhouses, together with appropriate signage for these amenities. Once completed, The city's contribution included an outdoor butterfly garden including areas dedicated to the cultivation and display of wildflowers for a monarch habitat. The butterfly monarch waystation is in place today. The impact of this venture for the school district will allow children who attend Angleton Changing Attitudes to Succeed (CATS) Academy to get involved in the outdoors for physical, social, and intellectual well-being while also teaching them about responsibility and ownership. Nature play is any activity that gets children active or thinking actively outdoors with the end goal of building the skills and ability to play without the need for parental or adult control. This collaboration is creating a unique space for CATS Academy students to grow and thrive in our community.

How many schools, community groups, leaders, or centers were engaged in this effort? How many of these collaborations and partnerships are "new"? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

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Please list the names of the schools you are working with.

Angleton ISD CATS Academy

What resources, if any, are you providing to educators?

Community garden

How many students and educators would you estimate are being reached? Please limit your answer to only number of adults and youths engaged in the answer field (e.g., 200 students and 20 educators).

100

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

Dale Hrabovsky

How many acres of monarch and pollinator habitat have been planted through this effort? Please limit your answer to only the number of acres in the answer field below

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(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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What is the maintenance schedule to ensure planted habitat is maintained?

Weekly maintenance

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Nectar Planting.jpg

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Nectar Planting2.jpg

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Nectar Planting3.jpg

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

Nectar Planting4.jpg

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

Wells Nursery, Keep Angleton Beautiful members, and citizens

How many plants were planted? (Enter WHOLE NUMBERS only)

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Please describe your effort in completing this action.

Angleton hires Wells Nursery to plant milkweed in the Liberty, Peach, and Dickey butterfly gardens annually. Keep Angleton Beautiful members and citizens donate milkweed plants for annual plantings as well.

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