

# City of Bloomington

Bloomington, MN

Mayor Tim Busse

## Pledge Summary

The City of Bloomington, Minnesota, recognizes the importance of protecting pollinators and supporting the migration and survival of monarch butterflies. Through participation in the Mayors' Monarch Pledge, a national initiative led by the National Wildlife Federation, the City commits to implementing local actions that expand monarch habitat, educate residents, and promote pollinator-friendly practices throughout the community. Communities, like Bloomington, play a critical role in reversing these trends by creating and restoring habitat in parks, public lands, rights-of-way, and residential areas. Bloomington will continue to maintain the prairie at the Public Works building in support of monarch and pollinators as part of the Civic Plaza campus. With the Nine Mile Creek Restoration project that starts in 2026, the City will be removing and managing invasive species like buckthorn. The overall project includes about 50 acres of savannah/prairie/wet meadow restoration. Educational signage regarding pollinator habitat will be installed as part of the project in 2027. Bloomington hires an educator from Hennepin County as part of their role in Richfield Bloomington Watershed Management Organization (RBWMO) to help educate students about pollinator habitats. Each year the City holds two invasive species events (Garlic Mustard Pull and the Buckthorn Bust) in support of the re-establishment of native habitats for monarch butterflies and other pollinators.

## Action Items Committed for 2026

### Past Pledge Archive

Mayor Name	Program Year	Pledge Date	Achievement
Mayor Tim Busse	2026	3/12/2026	

## Action Items

### Selected Action Items