City of Warren

Warren, MI

Mayor Lori Stone

Pledge Summary

The City of Warren, Michigan is proud to join communities across North America by taking the Mayors' Monarch Pledge, a conservation initiative led by the National Wildlife Federation. By taking this pledge, Warren is committing to implement meaningful, measurable actions—such as planting creating pollinator gardens, adjusting municipal landscaping practices, and engaging our community in monarch and pollinator conservation.

Action Items Committed for 2026

Systems Change

- Integrate monarch butterfly conservation into the city's Park Master Plan, Sustainability Plan, Climate Resiliency Plan or other city plans.

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

- 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 Lori Stone	2026	1/8/2026	Signatories
Mayor Lori Stone	2025	1/13/2025	Signatories
Mayor Lori Stone	2021	3/1/2021	Signatories

Action Items

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

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below (e.g., 3). Note: 1 acre = roughly the size of a football field.

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

The City of Warren's motivation is to protect monarchs and other pollinators while improving the beauty and environmental health of our community. Through the Mayor's Monarch Pledge, the City brings together staff, residents, volunteers, and community partners to create and maintain pollinator-friendly spaces and increase awareness of the importance of monarch 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?

The most helpful resources have been guidance from the Mayors' Monarch Pledge, support from community partners, and the involvement of the City of Warren Beautification Commission, staff, and residents. Moving forward, additional funding, native plants, educational materials, and technical guidance would help us expand monarch and pollinator habitat. To support equitable engagement, resources such as multilingual educational materials, community workshops, volunteer opportunities, and additional funding for projects in underserved neighborhoods would help ensure all Warren residents have access to high-quality, nature-based spaces.

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.).

400

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.

Community Gardens, City Hall, Parks and Residence

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

Through our monthly Mayors Community Check In's

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.)

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

Over the past year, the City of Warren has continued its monarch and pollinator conservation efforts through our annual City of Warren Clean-Up, planting initiatives, and ongoing preparation and maintenance of our Microforest. We are also working to build a partnership with our local Garden Club to support future educational and community events. These efforts bring together City staff, residents, volunteers, and community partners to expand pollinator-friendly spaces and strengthen environmental stewardship throughout Warren.

Selected Action Items

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).

The City of Warren promotes monarch gardens through its Beautification Commission, which engages residents through community outreach, events, and public communications. Residents are encouraged to plant native milkweed and other pollinator-friendly plants in their yards and neighborhoods to support monarch butterflies and other pollinators. The City continues to promote beautification and environmental stewardship throughout the community.

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)

The City of Warren promotes pollinator-friendly landscaping through community beautification and clean-up initiatives, incorporating native plants into public spaces to support monarchs, butterflies, bees, and other pollinators. One City Square, Warren Michigan 48093

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

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This effort was supported by Lowe's, The Home Depot, the Clean Water Ched Council, the City of Warren Beautification Commission, local residents, and City of Warren staff members.

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.

0.35

Integrate monarch butterfly conservation into the city's Park Master Plan, Sustainability Plan, Climate Resiliency Plan or other city plans.

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

Beautification Commission, Volunteers and some High School students

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

There has not been a target date to complete this action-as we work on this yearly and plans can change as we move forward. However, should the Master Plan change and be re-opened with updates, we will update you as we move forward

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 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.

In Progress

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