



Appalachian Bee Friendly Garden

A pollinator habitat, recently established as a Bee Friendly Garden, nestled within the mountains of Hurricane, West Virginia

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Upon receiving information, education, and resources related to pollinators, West Virginia State University 4-H Student Worker, Hailey Saxton, along with community volunteers jumped into action to implement a pollinator habitat in her hometown of Hurricane, West Virginia. Nestled within the Meeks Mountain Trails at the Hurricane City Park in Hurricane, WV, this garden has continued to thrive and attract pollinators, such as bees and butterflies since its establishment in 2023.



Hailey Saxton (green) and community volunteers implementing the pollinator habitat within Meeks Mountain Trails in Hurricane, WV on June 26, 2023.

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Thanks to the resources and education provided by West Virginia State University 4-H Youth Development, the support of Meeks Mountain Trails Alliance, community volunteers, and Hailey's dedication to sustaining this pollinator habitat, it has continuously grown and flourished, attracting pollinators, such as bees, butterflies, and birds.



Garden maintenance with additional plants, a mason bee house, and a pollinator habitat sign, completed by Hailey Saxton and volunteers on June 7, 2024.

Now registered as a Bee Friendly Garden within the Bee Friendly Gardening program through Pollinator Partnership, Hailey's pollinator habitat is in full bloom, providing roughly 150 square feet of native pollinating plants for pollinators to enjoy!

Most recent photo of the garden including the Bee Friendly Garden sign on August 15, 2025.



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