Our 2019 Speaker Series at Garden City City Hall included 5 speakers on various topics concerning pollinator conservation. Experts on wasps, bumble bees, plants, habitat design, and how gardening for birds helps pollinators helped to enlighten over 100 people. The August presentation included a tour of the Pollinator Habitat. The annual Pollinator Celebration hosted 153 people and included pollinator identification walks, 14 vendors, activities for kids, and a film highlighting home, public and farm pollinator gardens. We were highlighted in a local newspaper for influencing the installation of pollinator gardens, and written up in Edible Idaho's fall issue. Both of these publications reach thousands of citizens. We donated $300 to our local library to purchase books about helping pollinators. They put up a display for the month of May with these books and more.
Summer found us tabling at 3 local events, giving out information and recruiting volunteers. "The Secret Life of Bees" was presented at 2 local schools. The highlight of our year was the completion of the pocket-size, spiral-bound, 118 page book "100 Treasure Valley Pollinator Plants" in December. The initial printing of 288 copies is sold out and 500 more are on order. The book highlights a plant per page, with a photo, plant information, pollinators attracted, and a "native" icon where indicated. It is organized by plant type, then season, in order to assist in creating gardens in bloom all seasons. Funds from the sale of these books will enable us to continue and extend our outreach. The only disappointment this year was our inability to convince the City of Garden City to implement an IPM Plan. Written material was presented in March when the Comprehensive Plan was re-written, and again at a City Council meeting in May. No steps have been taken to implement a plan, and it was not included in the Comprehensive Plan.
We were made aware that the City of Boise is adding pollinator pockets to several parks, and a large area to one of the parks. The Merician Co-op Gardeners added a pollinator garden to their food garden.

**POLICIES & PRACTICES**

Nothing has been done yet. The only known pesticide-free area managed by the City is the Pollinator Habitat.

**Recommended Locally Native Plant Species List** —
[https://gardencityidaho.org/index.asp?SEC=4C0FCAA8-077E-4F44-9974-323C068AEE5B](https://gardencityidaho.org/index.asp?SEC=4C0FCAA8-077E-4F44-9974-323C068AEE5B)

**Regional Native Plant Supplier List** — The list does not contain a supplier list. However, our new book list 3 local nurseries whose plants do not contain neonicotinoids.

**Pollinator Friendly Integrated Pest Management Plan** — The City of Garden City does not have one.

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