



Pollinator Garden Proposal

Introduction

IDEAS For Us (IDEAS) is an Orlando-based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and an accredited NGO of the United Nations. Our mission is to develop ideas, fund action, and scale solutions that solve the world's most pressing environmental and social challenges. Since 2008, IDEAS is guided by a vision to contribute to a future where humanity thrives in harmony with nature and in peace with one another. Through this organization, thousands of volunteers have taken action in over 30 countries around the world and continue to evolve by specializing in helping cities advance sustainability at the local level through environmental projects, community action programs, and eco-enterprises.

Pollinator Garden Proposal:

According to the U.S. National Agricultural Statistics, a continued rapid decline in the bee population is striking the United States due to lack of ecological habitats. Honey bee populations have declined from about 6 million hives in 1947 to 2.4 million hives in 2008. Throughout America, there has been a 60 percent reduction among crops that require bee pollination and per hectare the number of bee colonies declined by 90 percent since 1962. By restoring habitats for pollinators by installing native pollinator friendly gardens throughout a community, you become an advocate for our pollinators while supporting local native nurseries in the area and spreading awareness of a global crisis.

Work Plan

Objective 1: Provide immersive education opportunities for the community to personally engage with the environment as stewards to nature and protectors of the pollinators in local ecosystems. This will encourage individuals to share enlightened perspectives towards a behavioral change.

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Objective 2: Remove 50 pounds of trash from local waterways to protect wildlife ecosystems and beautify the community.

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Key Activities:

1. Offer an education session for community members, led by local pollinator and ecology experts to help facilitate volunteer engagement.
2. Host an IDEAS Hive to bring community leaders, staff, and volunteers together to learn about pollinator decline and the importance of fostering positive relationships with nature while preserving and restoring biodiversity.
3. Group members will develop promotional materials to bring awareness around the project and source the mulch, plants, and compost to give nutrients needed to each pollinator garden installation.
4. Depending on location, install water conserving drip-irrigation systems to ensure long term growth and viability of the pollinator friendly plants.

If interested, contact Admin@IDEASForUs.org for full project breakdown

Sponsor One Pollinator Garden Project

Description	Details	Amount
Educational Event	Venue needed to bring volunteers together and discuss importance of conservation and habitat restoration for pollinators	\$200
Educational Materials	Dry erase boards, PS system, writing materials, food, and promotional items.	\$300
Native Plant Expert Educator	Services of a professional in the native plant education to come out classes to engage in education	\$200
Travel Expenses	Truck and Bus rental needs to transport volunteers to the pollinator garden project.	\$500
Plants and Materials	Native Plants / Compost/ Mulch	\$1,000
Installation Coordination	Transporting shovels, gloves, waivers, design and implementation.	\$300
Total Ask	Support a Pollinator Garden Project:	\$2,500

Support Pollinator Garden Installations for the Year

Description	Details	Amount
Spring Pollinator Garden Installation	March - May	\$2,500
Summer Pollinator Garden Installation	June- August	\$2,500
Fall Pollinator Garden Installation	September - November	\$2,500
Winter Pollinator Garden Installation	December - February	\$2,500
Total Ask	Support IDEAS for Us Pollinator Gardens for the Year!	\$10,000

Become A Pollinator Protector: Fund Gardens for all IDEAS Branches

Description	Purpose	Amount
One Pollinator Garden For Each IDEAS Branch	All 10 IDEAS for Us International Branches need pollinator garden installations in their local communities. Will you be our Pollinator Protector for the year?	\$2,500 each
Total Ask		\$25,000

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