POLLINATORS





Photo source: GSS Native Plant Garden Guide, Credit Valley Conservation Authority



Who are they?

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- Insects and small mammals
- Birds, bats, bees, butterflies, beetles, moths, etc.
- Help with pollination process / reproduction of flowering plants
- Feed on nectar / pollen
- Transport pollen between flowers





Importance

- Sustain plant life and seed production
- Support and sustain ecosystems
- Improve biodiversity
- Help clean air
- Support other wildlife
- Help sustain and produce food/natural resources



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Support

- Pollinator gardens
- Plant native and non-invasive species
- Nesting boxes
- Avoid using chemical pesticides
- Allow natural debris
- Reduce your impact on environment
- Reuse materials
- Support local groups and organisations
- Support local farmers and beekeepers



Photo source: Veronica Leal-Correia

Resources

Greening Sacred Spaces

https://greeningsacredspaces.ca/gardening-program/

Faith & the Common Good

https://www.faithcommongood.org/pollinator_gardens

Pollinator Partnership

→ <u>https://pollinator.org/</u>

Ottawa Horticultural Society

https://ottawahort.org/native-plants-for-your-garden/