

Bee Campus USA - Coastal Bend College

Report on 2020

Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

Coastal Bend College participated in a tree planting event, I am not aware of other non-CBC events.



Coastal Bend College PTK, Rho Lambda Chapter, members enhance local pollinator habitat.



Coastal Bend College PTK members participate in pollinator habitat enhancement.

Education & Outreach

The committee hosted five events last year: A tree planting event involving PTK members, a virtual brown bag lunch lecture series, a bee conservation essay contest, an Eagle Scout project with the local Boy Scout troop, and a bee sculpture fund-raiser developed with the Coastal Bend College foundation.





AC Jones High School instructors assist Kelton Keys with his Eagle Scout project to enhance community awareness of bee conservation.



Dr. James Duncan and Boy Scout Troop 451 installing bee conservation signage on the Coastal Bend College community walking track.



Kelton Keys, Eagle Scout candidate, and one of his bee conservation signs.

Courses & Continuing Education

BIOL 1306 (General Biology for Majors) and BIOL 2306 (Environmental Biology) both incorporate topics related to pollinator conservation.

Service-Learning

Covid 19 had a significant impact on our service-learning activities. However, we did launch some innovative projects through our foundation. As part of our pollinator awareness program, we created a student essay project. Students submitted essays on pollinator conservation. A committee scored these essays and awarded the top 5 winners a \$2,000 scholarship. These essays were then used by a local Eagle Scout candidate to create educational signage for the community walking track. In addition, the foundation sells bee sculptures to local business and community members. The funds generated from these sales are used to fund college scholarships. Once a bee is purchased it is personalized based on the customer's request. A team of skilled artists produce a beautiful customized bee in Coastal Bend College's "Bee Hive." To date, 35 bees have been sold and are located throughout South Texas.



Coastal Bend College Foundation has been instrumental in partnering with community members to enhance pollinator awareness efforts and provide financial resources for CBC students.

Local artists, many of them CBC alumni, work on bees purchased by local businesses and individuals.

One of 35 bees sold to fund scholarships for Coastal Bend College students.

Educational Signage

All signage was permanent. The college partnered with a local Boy Scout troop and the local high school. An Eagle Scout candidate coordinated the entire project from conception to completion. The college foundation provided the funding and the high school provided the space and equipment to build the signs. This signage was installed along the college's walking track that is widely use by community members.



Signage incorporating essays from Coastal Bend College Foundation's Student Essay Contest. The top five winners received a \$2,000 scholarship and will have their essay prominently displayed on the community walking track.



Coastal Bend College bee conservation signage.

Policies & Practices

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List:

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:



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