

# Bee City USA - Ridgewood

Report on 2020



## Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

We continue to maintain and enhance our pollinators garden





The entrance to our pollinators garden, which is around and behind The Stable.



## Education & Outreach

2020 was a difficult year for our village, as we were hit very hard with COVID. However, we were able to host some events in our community. 1) The Ridgewood Public Library held a virtual reading program, where they read *Honeybee: The Busy Life of Apis Mellifera* by Candace Fleming and also had a pollinator craft that families could pick up at the library and kids could do after the reading. Our library's reading program is always well-received, and many families tuned in for this pollinator event. 2) Our Parks and Rec department hosted a drive-in movie night, where families could social distance, and take in a movie outdoors, at one of our parks. The movie was "The Bee Movie" and while the movie itself is completely inaccurate, afterwards, we used it as an opportunity to talk about the importance of all pollinators and what people can do to help them. 3) The Ridgewood Conservancy maintained our pollinators garden, and while we could not hold any events, we still provided valuable information about the various plants and helping native pollinators. 4) Frank Mortimer provided information about bees, native pollinators, and the importance of making your yard pollinator-friendly at an outdoor, socially distanced talk in our downtown park. (Van Neste Square).





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Frank Mortimer talking about the role pollinators play in our lives

## Policies & Practices

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List:

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:



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