

2014 NEIGHBORHOOD HABITAT CHALLENGE

City of Austin and the National Wildlife Federation challenge your Neighborhood to create homes for wildlife by taking the HABITAT CHALLENGE for POLLINATOR GARDENS!

Jester Estates, Windsor Park, Bouldin Creek, Crestview, Copperfield, Mueller, and other Austin neighborhoods have risen to the NEIGHBORHOOD HABITAT CHALLENGE.

This year make your neighborhood a **Winner for Wildlife!**



Take the Challenge, it's easy ...

1. Provide these habitat basics:

*** Provide Water Sources**

A key element for a variety of pollinators

*** Provide Food**

Pollinators need a diversity of nectar/pollen sources

*** Safeguard Pollinator Habitat**

Remove or prevent invasive plants, avoid pesticides

*** Provide Shelter**

Pollinators need places to nest and to overwinter

2. Neighborhood participates in a community habitat project such as removing invasive plants, planting trees, restoring a creek area, or planting a neighborhood butterfly garden.

3. An article about the habitat challenge is published in neighborhood newsletter and/or website.

4. Neighbors certify their properties with the National Wildlife Federation at www.nwf.org/gardenforwildlife or with a COA pre-paid application by November 15, 2014.

5. Celebrate! The top three neighborhoods that complete all the requirements and certify the most new habitats between April 15th and November 15th, 2014 will be recognized by the City of Austin and eligible for prizes.

To request a pre-paid habitat certification application or for contest details contact the Wildlife Austin program: 512-978-2606 or <http://www.austintexas.gov/department/wildlife-austin>

