

For more than 30 years, WM has partnered with WHC (Wildlife Habitat Council) to enhance and protect thousands of acres to support sustainability programs, biodiversity initiatives and environmental education. By transforming land into certified wildlife habitats, WM is helping communities thrive. At Austin Community Landfill in Austin, Texas, employees actively manage conservation projects focused on landscaped habitats and pollinators. **The conservation program at Austin Community Landfill has been WHC-certified since 2006.**

PRACTICES AND IMPACTS

- The pollinator garden on-site contains over 40 species of native plants, selected for their qualities as nectar sources with varied bloom times, or as butterfly host plants. Invasive plants are removed to prevent spread and allow native plants to thrive.
- The project team monitors the garden and ensures it is mulched, trimmed and watered as needed to maintain the healthy growth of the plants.
- The gardens are regularly monitored, and pollinators such as the American bumblebee and numerous butterfly and moth species have been observed.
- Items such as a bee block and an insect hotel are situated in the garden to provide additional sources of shelter.



CONSERVATION PROJECTS





RESOURCES

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