



Foxwynd Foundation Grant Award Announcement

**The Bee Conservancy Receives Grant from Foxwynd Foundation
To Help Expand Urban Pollinator Habitats**

Sub-title: The Foxwynd Foundation has awarded \$37,500 to support The Bee Conservancy's mission.

[New York, NY] – [July 24, 2024] – The Bee Conservancy (TBC) is pleased to announce it has been awarded a grant of \$37,500 from the Foxwynd Foundation to support its efforts in protecting bee populations and promoting environmental stewardship. This funding will specifically support The Bee Conservancy's work with the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) to develop and maintain pollinator-friendly native plant habitats across NYCHA campuses. This initiative is critical for increasing biodiversity, supporting food production in resident-led community gardens, and engaging community members in environmental stewardship.

The Bee Conservancy's Executive Director, Rebecca Louie, expressed gratitude for the support: "Support from the Foxwynd Foundation will empower us to expand our habitat development initiatives and enhance our educational outreach, especially in underserved communities. We are deeply thankful for Foxwynd Foundation's commitment to our cause."

With over 20,000 species of bees worldwide, these insects play a crucial role in agriculture by pollinating about one-third of the food we consume and 80% of flowering plants. Despite their importance, bees still face ongoing threats from pesticides, habitat loss, and climate change. The Bee Conservancy is a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting bees, safeguarding the environment, and advancing food security through community-based education, research, habitat creation, and advocacy. In the spring of 2024, TBC laid the groundwork for the expansion of pollinator habitat to other NYCHA sites with the help of the Foxwynd Foundation.

The New York City Housing Authority is home to 1 in 17 New Yorkers and is North America's largest public housing authority, providing decent, affordable housing for over 154,000 families, and connecting residents to critical social and economic services from external and internal partners.

The Foxwynd Foundation DAF funded the Foxwynd Foundation's generous donation to The Bee Conservancy, which will help them achieve key aspects of the project, including building native plant gardens at additional NYCHA sites across New York City, enhancing urban green spaces and building biodiversity, as well as developing a role for a NYCHA community member to support habitat assessment, maintenance and pollinator monitoring, cultivating a pipeline for green jobs.

For Press interested in learning more, please contact joey@thebeeconservancy.org.

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