



# 2020 NATURE IN THE CITY ANNUAL REPORT

A new grant process and diverse partnerships across the community made for an exciting year.

## VISION

A connected open space network, accessible to the entire community that provides a variety of experiences and functional habitat for people, plants and wildlife.



## GOALS



CONNECTIVITY



STEWARDSHIP



ACCESS

## IMPACT

**16** FUNDED  
COMMUNITY  
PROJECTS



*"Without NIC funding, I never could have taken on a project like this. NIC funding allowed me to make this beautiful change. I am truly proud to show/speak about my yard now and to bring wildlife and native plants in. What a fantastic learning process. - Grant Recipient"*



**48,550**  
square feet converted into  
**native landscaping**  
increasing habitat area by  
**150%**





Through collaborations with City of Fort Collins Water Conservation and Forestry departments, 64 DIY native gardens and 225 trees were **distributed to the community**.

## VOLUNTEERS

A huge **thank you** to the amazing **volunteers** who:



✓ completed  
biodiversity surveys **212**

saw over  **1200** birds



and  **1000** butterflies

Volunteers also helped the **Sugar Beet Park Pollinator Garden** have a successful first year of establishment and prevented weeds from taking over!

## 2021 PLANS:

- Forging connections that increase **access to nature** across the City
- Building community-driven **demonstration projects** throughout the community ranging from front yards to big habitat spaces
- Offering **engaging volunteer experiences** to explore the nature in our City

