

# PLANT A POLLINATOR GARDEN



## Pollinator Gardens Should

- use plants that provide nectar and pollen sources
- provide a water source
- be situated in sunny areas with wind breaks
- create large “pollinator targets” of native or non-invasive plants
- establish continuous bloom throughout the growing season

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# SUPER HEROS THE POLLINATORS



## Flower to Table

- In order to make seeds, flowers need to transfer pollen.
- Flowers can't move around so they need a helper, their own special friend, A POLLINATOR.
- Honeybees carry pollen back to the hive in a small "basket" of the fine hairs on the outside of their hind legs.
- Bees, butterflies, beetles, bats, moths, flies, hummingbirds and even the wind are pollinators.
- **For every third bite of food you eat, THANK A BEE!**

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# NATIVE BEES AND GENTLE BEES



## California Native Bees

- 1600 species of native bees in California
- Common types are Digger, Carpenter, Bumble, Miner, Sweat
- Most are solitary, not hive builders
- Typically ground or cavity dwellers
- Don't produce honey!

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