



2025-2026 ACHIEVEMENTS

Pollinator Habitat Education Program

Overview

Sand County Foundation's Pollinator Habitat Education Program offers two pathways for K-12 teachers: the **Seed Starter Activity** and the **Pollinator Habitat Grant**, to lead students through hands-on learning as they grow native wildflowers and restore critical pollinator habitat.



Program Cumulative Reach 2017-2026

200+
Schools Served

~20,000
Students
Engaged

350+
Teachers
Supported

100,000+
Native Plants
Grown

What do Students Report Learning?

 **Hands-on Planting Outdoors:** Cited by over half of all students as their favorite part of the program!

 **Practical Skills:** Transplanting and caring for plants was consistently voted the "most useful thing learned".

 **Hope and Agency:** Students described deep satisfaction in doing something real and tangible for the environment.

 **Personal Growth:** Students described pride in owning their piece of the project and seeing it through to completion.

 **Pollinator Knowledge:** Students learned more about the pollinators their plants will support, and reported feeling more motivated to protect them.

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This hands-on project gave students a meaningful opportunity to connect with nature and contribute to local ecosystem health. Planting native wildflowers showed them how even small actions can create lasting positive change for pollinators and the environment.

Heather Middleton
Science Teacher
Cass City Jr/Sr High School

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It's hard to say who got more out of this endeavor, the students or their teacher (me!) It was fun, engaging, and, frankly, fascinating. I am beyond grateful that we were connected to this project...

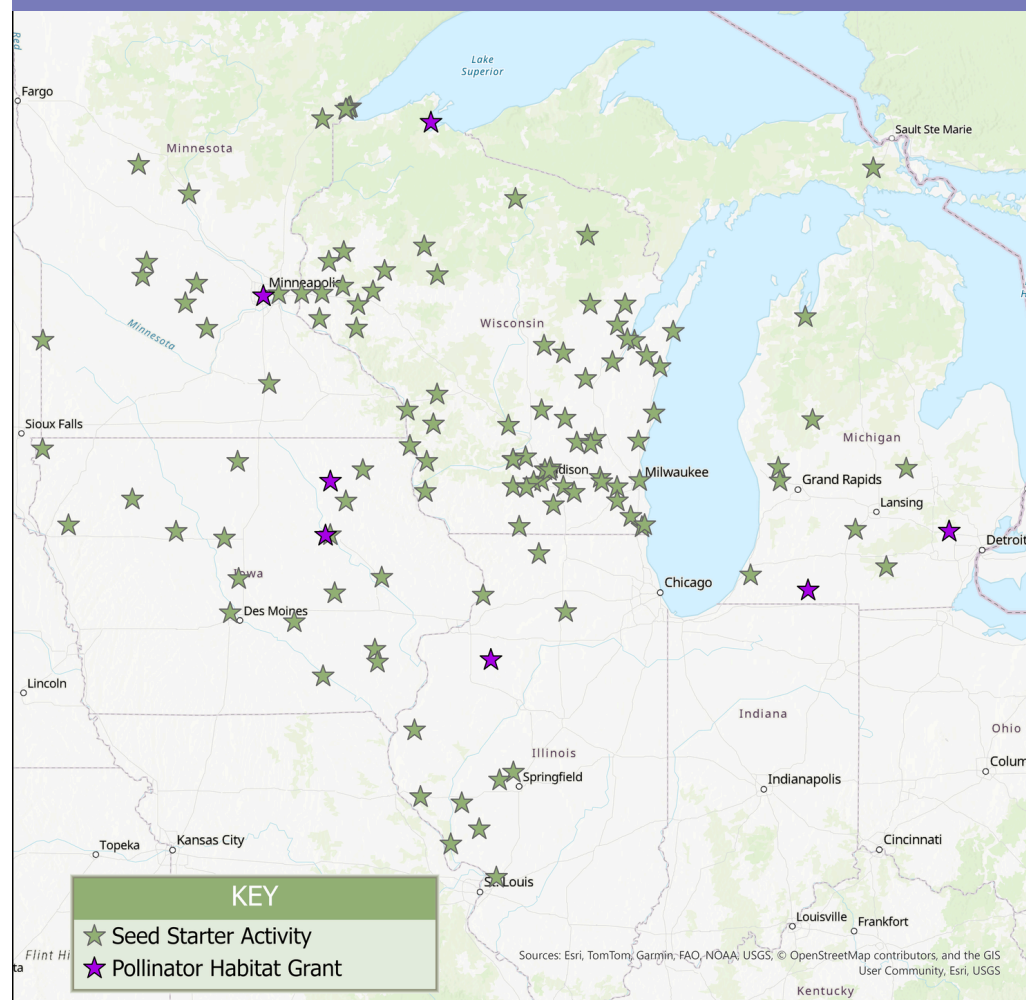
I want to share our collective thanks for all that this organization is doing.

You connected my students to nature in a new way, and I'm thrilled to do it again next year!

-Sarah Popescu

Science Teacher
Greenwich Academy

Map of Program Participants 2025-2026



Program Successes 2025-2026

Metric	Seed Starter Activity	Habitat Grants
Schools served	119	7
Students engaged	4,357	761
Seedlings grown	27,608	3,855

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