

## 5 Tips to Become Bee-Friendly

Select a mix of pollen and nectar providing plants which bloom during the entire growing season, particularly in early spring and late fall.



Select low maintenance plants, especially drought-tolerant natives; avoid invasive or nuisance species.



Set mower height to allow for bee food plants, such as clover and dandelions.



Apply any needed pesticides after dark, when pollinators are less active, and eliminate those with extended residues.



Leave some areas mulch free, wild, and undisturbed to provide habitat for ground nesting bees.



Bees come in many different shapes and sizes. Some are covered with hairs, while others are almost completely bald. It is also common for males and females of the same species to look very different.

> Bee-friendly plant lists: www.pollinator.org/guides.htm www.beefriendlyfarmer.org



Protect their lives. Preserve ours.

