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Erie County Wildlife Habitat Project

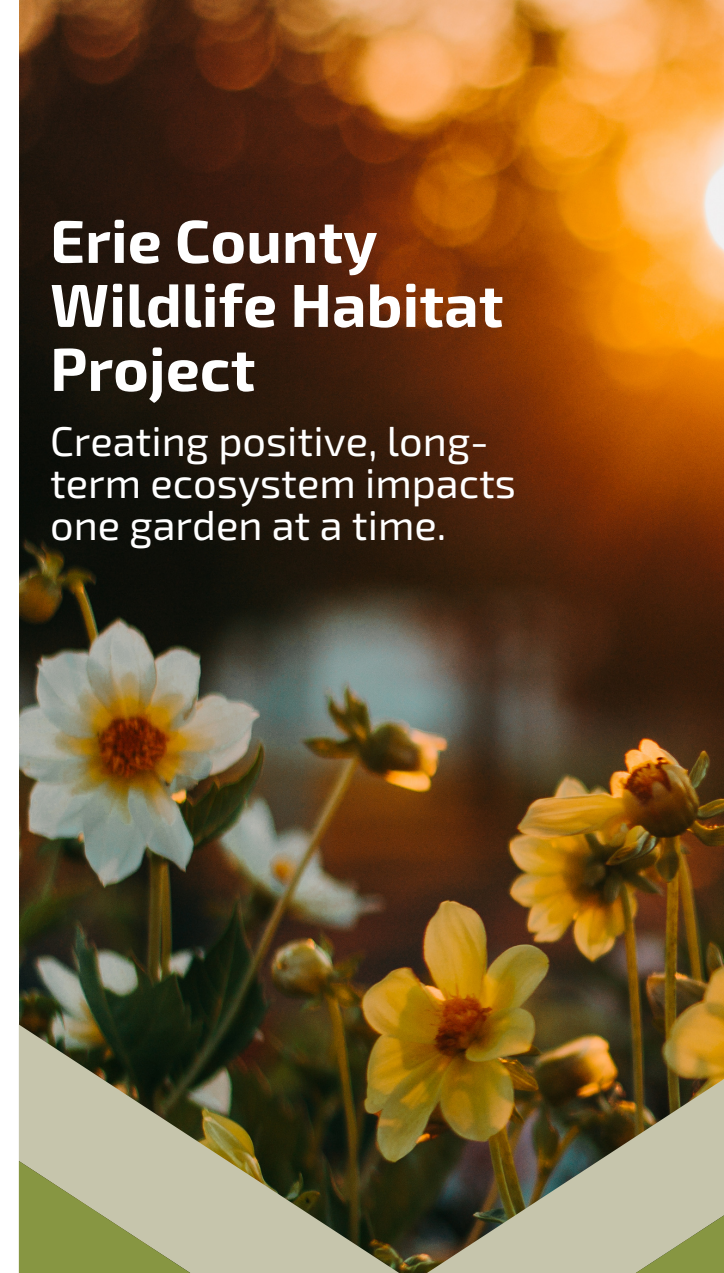
Creating positive, long-term ecosystem impacts one garden at a time.



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Working to beautify our community and create wildlife-friendly ecosystems by certifying habitats in your own backyard.



About The Habitat Project

In 2019 The Black Rock Riverside Alliance certified the entire city of Buffalo as a National Wildlife Federation Community Habitat, the 15th largest in the country! Yet, we are more ambitious than ever and are working towards certifying all of Erie County, one green space at a time.



Our Mission and Vision

The City of Buffalo and Erie County are all uniquely situated in close proximity to the Niagara River, making them key wildlife habitats. Unfortunately, years of human impact have threatened the success and longevity of these habitats, thus impacting the overall health of Western New York.

By certifying and adapting our green spaces we can encourage local and migrating wildlife to thrive, while also beautifying our communities and counties.

How to Certify Your Garden

Good news, it's easier than you think! The National Wildlife Federation created an easy-to-use checklist allowing you to determine if your garden is already a certifiable habitat or what small additions are required.

Certification focuses on five key factors that make a sustainable habitat:

1. Food
2. Water
3. Cover
4. Places to raise young
5. Sustainable practices

Where to find certification information

The certification checklist can be found at:
<https://www.nwf.org/certify>

Certify your garden easily online at:
www.nwf.org/certifiedwildlifehabitat