

America celebrates its **250th Anniversary** in 2026 and your non-profit organization can be part of the celebration by helping the Oklahoma Native Plant Society (ONPS) plant 2 pounds of wildflower seeds in all **77** Oklahoma counties. A one (1) pound package of seeds will be provided by ONPS to one (1) or two (2) qualified non-profit, governmental or municipal entities (i.e. Master Gardener, Girl Scouts, Garden Club, etc.) per county to plant in a public space (i.e., park, courthouse, library or fairgrounds, etc.). The selected group(s) will receive a pound of native-to-Oklahoma wildflower seeds, that will bloom for extended periods and reseed, if allowed to mature. Your group will also receive instructions on when and how to plant in your public space and a sign that designates the area as a pollinator plot to **Celebrate America with Wildflowers!** The deadline to apply is August 31 and seeds will be delivered in mid-October for planting before December 31, 2025. The seeds should cover 1,000 sq. ft. (a 10 x 10 area) and begin blooming in mid-April or early May with an explosion of color in your public space that will attract pollinators, birds, and other wildlife with minimal care, once established.

According to the United State Department of Agriculture, Three-fourths of the world's flowering plants and about 35 percent of the world's food crops depend on animal pollinators to reproduce. That's one out of every three bites of food you eat. More than 3,500 species of native bees help increase crop yields. Some scientists estimate that one out of every three bites of food we eat exists because of animal pollinators like bees, butterflies and moths, birds and bats, and beetles and other insects. Increasing the wildflowers in all 77 counties can have a **BIG** impact on food for these important animals.

What can your group do to participate? Complete the application form on the reverse side of this document and email it to ONPSinfo@gmail.com along with a photo of the space you plan to plant. We look forward to hearing from you. Remember the deadline is **August 31, 2025**.





About ONPS: Oklahoma's richly diverse plant life has captivated residents for generations. In 1987, passionate individuals from across the state came together to establish the Oklahoma Native Plant Society. As a community we host a wild range of engaging activities including field trips, lectures, workshops, and roadside plantings. Through these initiatives, we aim not only to raise awareness and deepen understanding of Oklahoma's botanical treasures, but to promote the preservation and propagation of our beautiful and essential native flora.

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Organization Name: _		
Contact		
Name:		_ Title:
Address:		
City:	ZIP:	_ County:
Is your Organization a non-profit, or municipality?		
Describe where you want to Plant the wildflowers? Please attach a digital photo of the location.		
In 200 words or less, tell us why you want to participate in this program.		

Deadline to apply is August 31, 2025. Winners will receive 1 pound of native-to-Oklahoma wildflower seeds by October 15 and seeds must be planted by December 31, 2025. The winners agree to email a photo of the site after planting and again by June 15, 2026! Submit Entries digitally to <a href="mailto:ONPSinfo@gmail.com">ONPSinfo@gmail.com</a>

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