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OUR STORY

The Chippewa Valley Pollinator Partnership was begun in the Fall of 2022 after receiving a generous Pablo Foundation "No Mow May" grant. Next, we advocated and obtained a Visit EC grant for entomologist and professor Dr. Doug Tallamy to speak at the Chippewa Valley Book Festival. We strongly advocated for "Nature's Best Hope" as the 2023 Eau Claire Library's One Community/ One Book selection. It was selected, followed by many community activities and book groups. This groundswell led to our commitment to support Dr. Tallamy's insightful "Nature's Best Hope" activities under our new name-The Chippewa Valley Biodiversity Partnership (Fall 2023) to better represent the breadth of our collaborative work.

MISSION & OBJECTIVES

Revitalizing Chippewa Valley habitats one yard at a time through engagement, demonstration and advocacy

Our objectives are focused on eight efforts as specified in Professor Doug Tallamy's "Nature's Best Hope":

1. Shrink lawns
2. Plant natives with an emphasis on keystone plants
3. Remove/control invasives
4. Reduce light pollution
5. Build supportive conservation hardscape
6. Create "soft landing" habitats under trees
7. Minimize fertilizers, fungicides and pesticides
8. Network with community members and get on the Homegrown National Park map

Listen to Dr. Tallamy's Talk here (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t0NV0FK1D5M>)

OUR PARTNERS - WE ARE ACTIVELY INVITING OTHERS WITH SIMILAR VALUES AND INTERESTS

JONAH <https://jonahjustice.org/>

Eau Claire Area Master Gardeners <https://www.eauclaireareamastergardener.org/>

Eau Claire Garden Club <https://eauclairegardenclub.com/>

Beaver Creek Reserve <https://www.beavercreekreserve.org/>

Wild Ones, Eau Claire Chapter <https://wildones.org/>

Home Grown National Park <https://homegrownnationalpark.org/>

Chippewa Valley Sierra Club <https://www.sierraclub.org/wisconsin/chippewa-valley>

The Prairie Enthusiasts, Chippewa Savannas Chapter <https://theprairieenthusiasts.org>

EC County Office of Recycling & Sustainability Program <https://www.facebook.com/eauclairecountyrecycling/>

EC Water Alliance <https://eauclairewateralliance.org/>

Memorial High School- Eco Warriors

<https://www.ecasd.us/Memorial-High-School/Activities/Environmental/Eco-Warriors>

OUR WORKING GROUPS

1. Policy
2. Local Nursery Outreach
3. Biodiversity Education
4. Abating Invasives
5. Demonstration Gardens
6. Plant Eau Claire Volunteer Corp