

A close-up photograph of a bumblebee with black and yellow fur, positioned on the yellow center of a white daisy flower. The background is a soft-focus green. The image is framed by a thin white line at the top and bottom.

Restoring Resilience

Building a
Pollinator
Corridor Across
Hamilton

Hamilton Pollinators Paradise Project





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The Hamilton Pollinators Paradise Project is an initiative of the Hamilton Naturalists' Club and Environment Hamilton that began with the Monarch butterfly and residents.





Pollinators City Map



- Kerncliff Park
- John Watson Park
- Land Nature's Inlet Sanctuary

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Adopt-A-Park / Extreme Park Makeover

- Jackie Washington Rotary Park
- Crownpoint Pipeline Trail at Edgemont (...)
- Gage Park



Native Plantings (Broader sites).



Local Native Plant Nursery Locations



Certified Pollinator Gardens



- Gray Rd & Federal St
- Oxford St
- South St
- 11 Sanctuary Dr



Urban environments have the potential to support large numbers of pollinators.

Building Paradise: Our Strategy



- Habitat
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Building Paradise: Our Strategy - **Habitat**



Before



After

Planting in the ground

Building Paradise: Our Strategy - Habitat

Creating
raised beds
with new
soil



Building Paradise: Our Strategy - **Habitat**

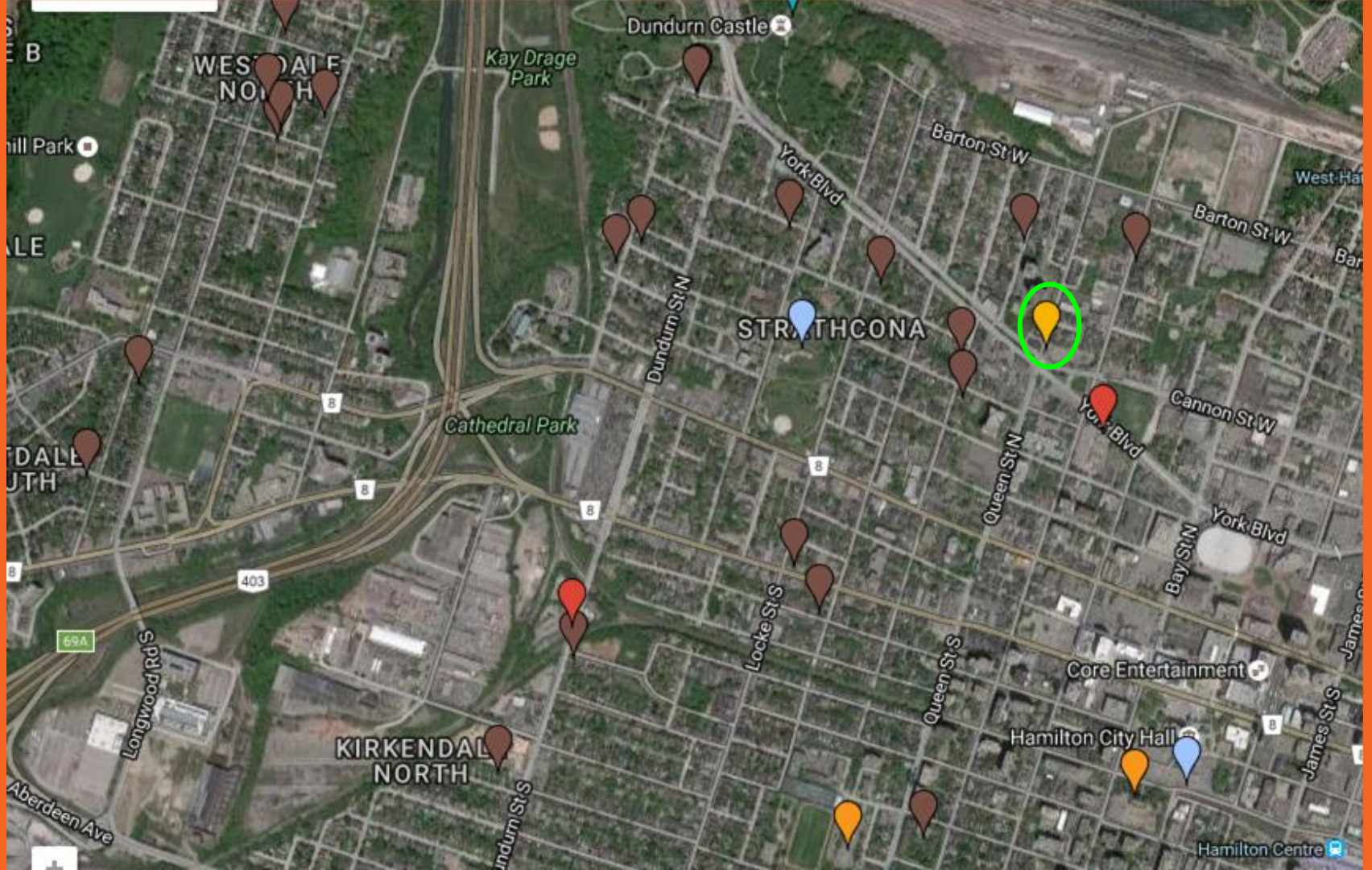
Planting adjacent to
veggies increases
food production.



Building Paradise: Our Strategy - **Community**

Hess Street
School

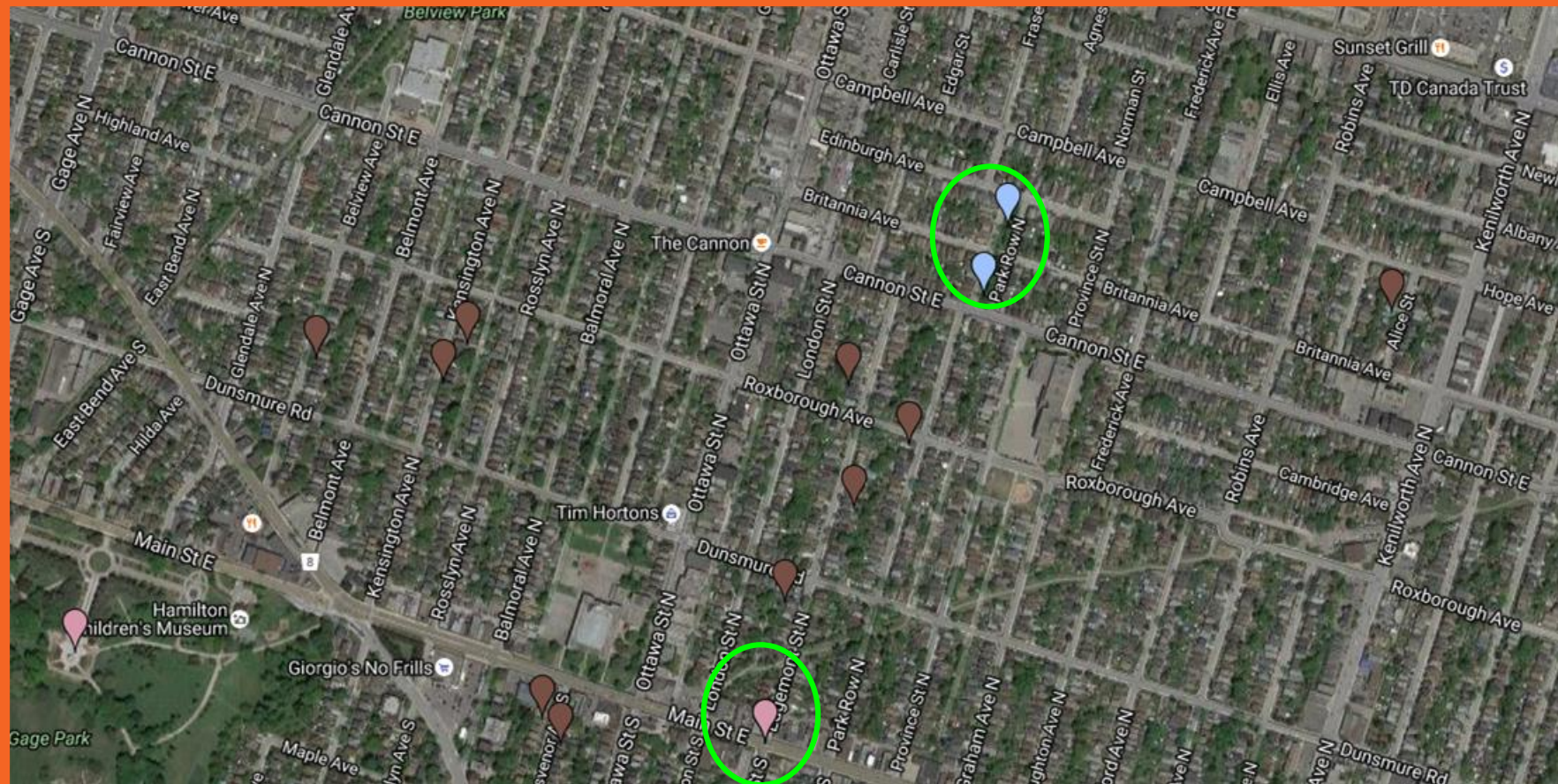




Building Paradise: Our Strategy - Community



From planting site to
gardening club: Crown Point
Garden Club



Certification and awards programs



What people are saying

"It makes people happy to see things moving in the wind, bees, butterflies."

Candi Venning, Landscape Designer.

"Pollinators help the earth, and news flash we need the earth – no earth no us." – Ayrek, Student.

"Our students are looking for projects that are meaningful. The PPP supplies the school with the challenge of promoting native species in our city and neighbourhood."

Joachim Vallentin, teacher

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Challenges

**City Staff mowing
plants down.**

**Maintaining sites: Need for
dependable volunteers.**

**The Messy Concept (by-law
comes a-knocking).**

Upcoming:

Collecting seed and
starting plants from
seed

NO MOW signs on
lawns--a pilot.

Connecting urban
farming with housing
and food security



The POLLINATORS Paradise PROJECT

presents

Protecting Our Native Bees and Other Pollinators: What we can do to help—FREE EVENT

Learn about the challenges pollinators face, including the harm honeybees can cause to native bees in urban areas.

Hear a local beekeeper speak about the realities of urban beekeeping.

Wednesday, November 2nd

The Spectator Building
(44 Frid Street, Hamilton)
7:00pm – 9:00pm

SPEAKERS

- J. Scott MacIvor, Researcher, University of Toronto
- Dr. Peter Kevan, Professor, Environmental Biology
- Michelle Ordyniec, Local Beekeeper



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