



# National Wildlife Federation Certified Community Wildlife Habitat Parks, Recreation and Beaches Board February 2014

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# Outreach at Earth Day events

## 2012



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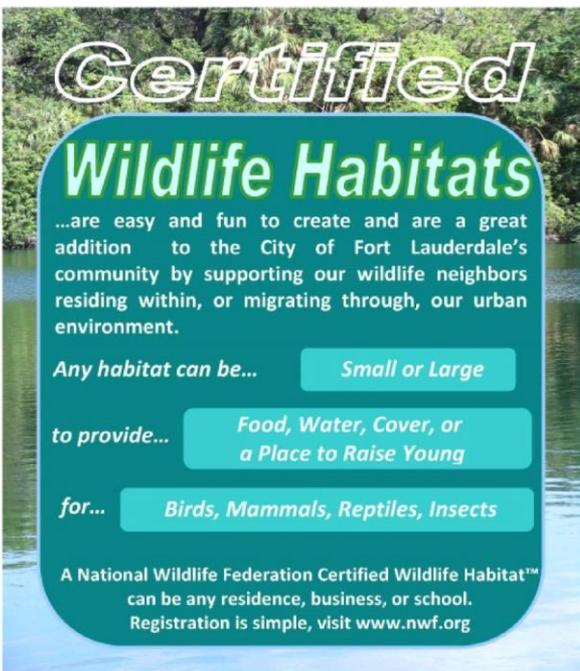
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An official Certified Wildlife Habitat™ can include any residence, business, or school. Registration is simple, just visit the National Wildlife Federation's website at [www.nwf.org/Get-Outside](http://www.nwf.org/Get-Outside)

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Effects of climate change & rising sea levels

## 2013



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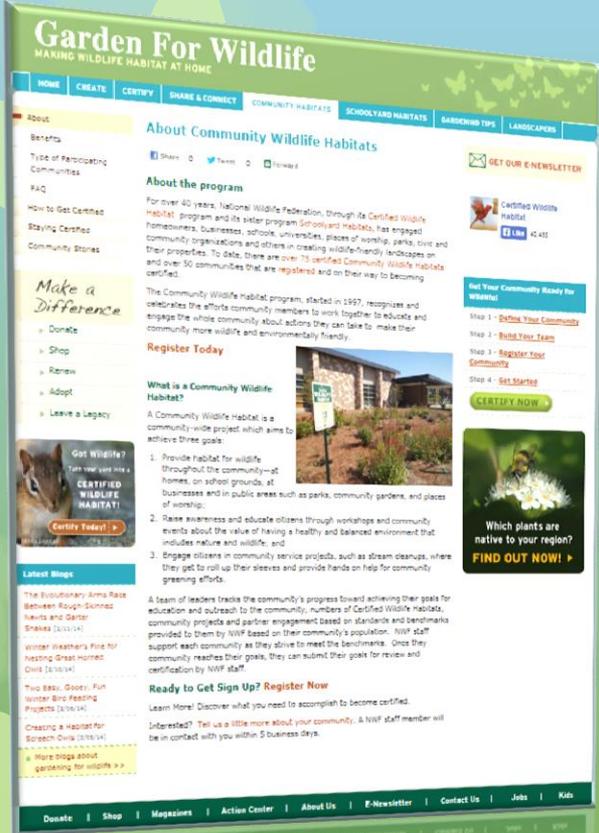
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Barn Owl

Image: [www.myfwc.com](http://www.myfwc.com)



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# Certified

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# Certifying Your Wildlife Garden

Whether you have an apartment balcony or acres of property, you can create a garden that attracts beautiful wildlife and helps restore habitat in commercial and residential areas.

By providing food, water, cover and a place for wildlife to raise their young, you not only help wildlife, but you also qualify to become an official Certified Wildlife Habitat® and join more than 150,000 sites across the country.

You need:

3 food sources

1 water source

3 cover and nesting sources

\$20 registration

\$30 optional aluminum sign

Once certified, you receive a 1-year subscription to the award-winning National Wildlife Magazine.





# Diana Guidry Broward County

Natural Resources Planning and Management Division

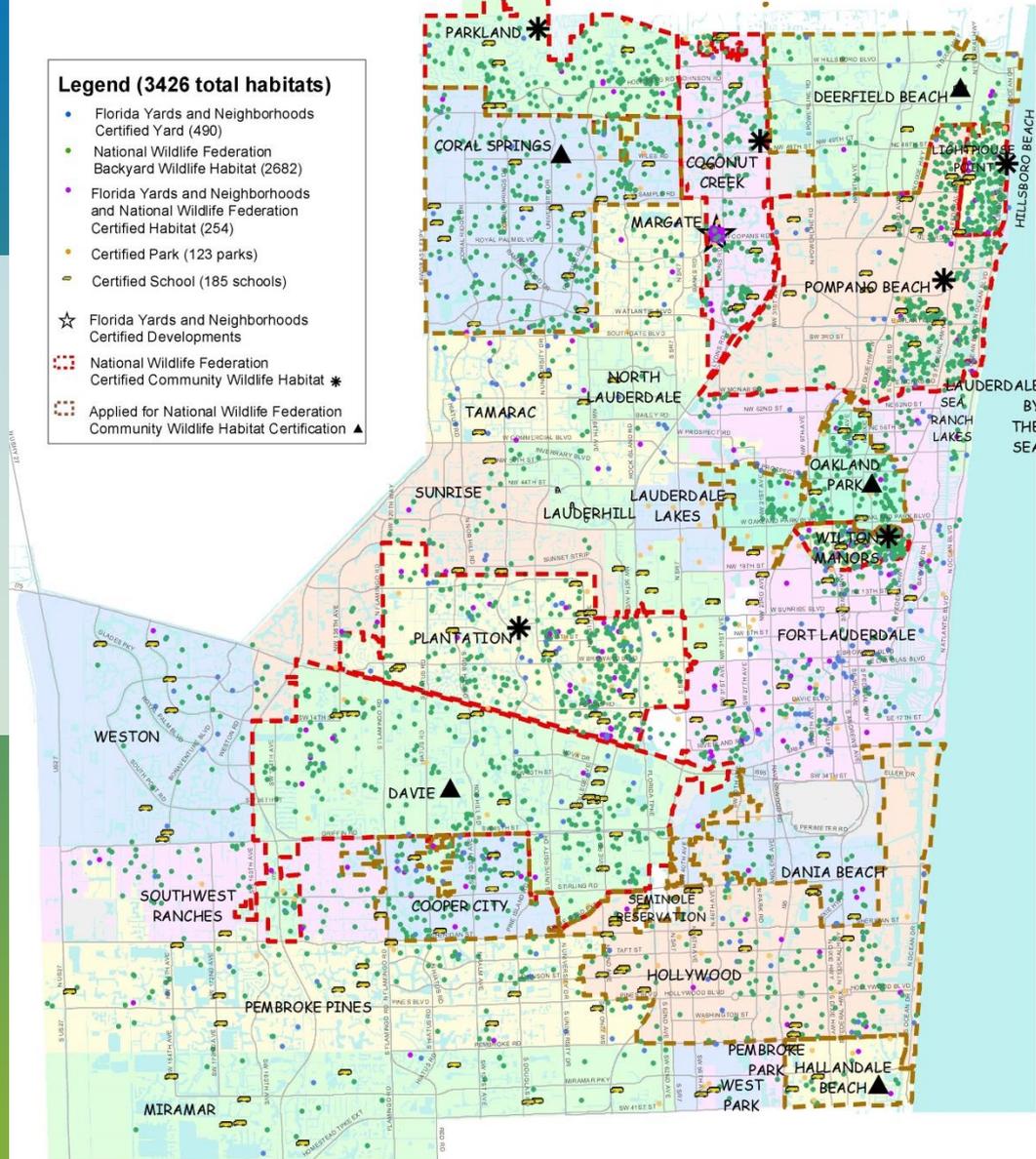
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### Legend (3426 total habitats)

- Florida Yards and Neighborhoods Certified Yard (490)
- National Wildlife Federation Backyard Wildlife Habitat (2682)
- Florida Yards and Neighborhoods and National Wildlife Federation Certified Habitat (254)
- Certified Park (123 parks)
- Certified School (185 schools)
- ☆ Florida Yards and Neighborhoods Certified Developments
- ⬮ National Wildlife Federation Certified Community Wildlife Habitat
- ⬮ Applied for National Wildlife Federation Community Wildlife Habitat Certification



This map provided for informational purposes only  
Updated February 2014

# City Parks Certified

Ann Herman  
Park

Mills Pond  
Park

Coral Ridge  
Park

Lewis  
Landing Park

Florence  
Hardy Park

Sailboat Bend  
Preserve

North Fork  
Riverfront  
Park

Harbordale  
Park

Peter  
Feldman  
Park

South Middle  
River Park

Bill Keith  
Preserve

Snyder Park

Dolphin Isles

Coontie  
Hatchie  
Landings



Hortt Park

# Number of registered properties Goal: **639**



<b>RESIDENCES</b>	<b>600</b>
<b>BUSINESSES</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>PLACES OF WORSHIP</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>CIVIC</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>OTHER COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>COMMUNITY GREEN SPACES</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>SCHOOLS</b>	<b>6</b>

Sliding Scale based on population size  
Population 100,001 – 300,000

<b>EDUCATION and OUTREACH PROJECTS</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>COMMUNITY CONSERVATION PROJECTS</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>PARTNERSHIPS</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>VOLUNTEER TRAINING</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>BONUS POINTS</b>	<b>20</b>

## Activities points Goal: **140 pts.**

# Education and Outreach Projects



Image: Florida Wildlife Commission  
**Gray Fox**



Image: Florida Wildlife Commission  
**Freshwater Turtles**



Image: Florida Wildlife Commission  
**Burrowing Owl**



**Atlantic Flyway visitors** – Along the Atlantic coast.

A great way to help birds and butterflies migrate is by building a **Certified Wildlife Habitat®** in your backyard or balcony. Learn how to provide a critical resting place and food source to help migratory birds reach their destination.



## Thank You

On behalf of Mrs. Guirand's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class, North Side Elementary Family, Mrs. LaChance, and Mr. Harrigan, thank you, Ms. Ronnie Lakatos, City of Fort Lauderdale Park & Recreation Dept. "Mills Pond Park" for your continued partnership.

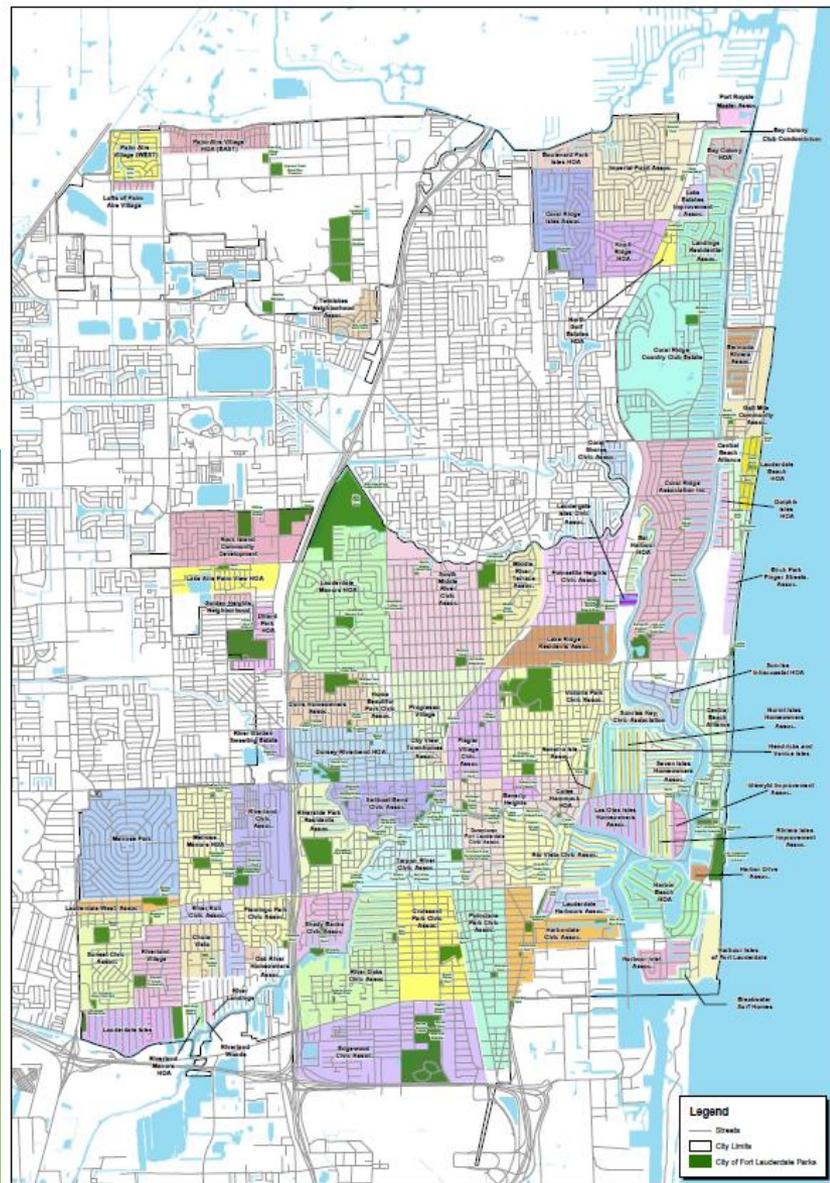
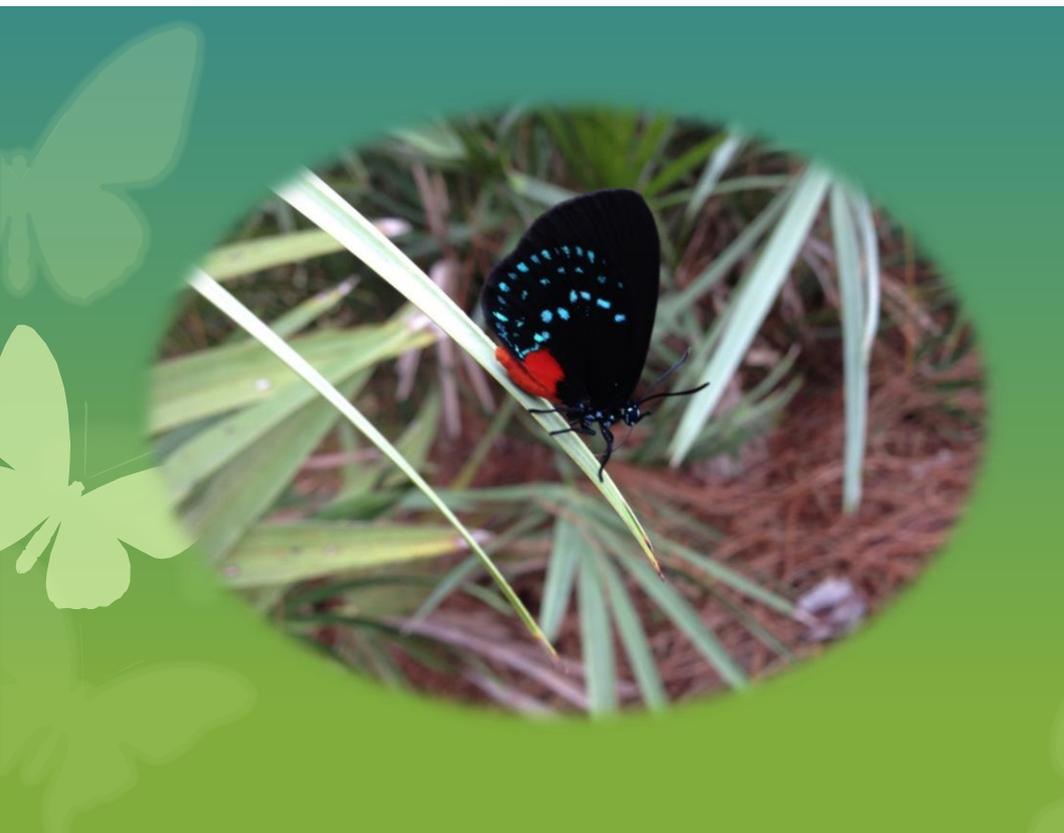
# What Can You, Our Neighbors, Do?



**GREEN YOUR ROUTINE**  
Volunteers

**Neighborhood  
Competition**

**Began October 2013**



City of Fort Lauderdale:  
Neighborhood Associations

0 2,000 4,000 Feet

You are a valued resource and we welcome your involvement toward reaching our goal to achieve:

# Community Wildlife Habitat Certification

[www.nwf.org](http://www.nwf.org)

The screenshot shows the Garden For Wildlife website. The header includes the logo and tagline 'MAKING WILDLIFE HABITAT AT HOME'. The navigation menu has tabs for HOME, CREATE, CERTIFY, SHARE & CONNECT, COMMUNITY HABITATS, SCHOOLYARD HABITATS, GARDENING TIPS, and LANDSCAPERS. The main content area is titled 'About Community Wildlife Habitats' and includes sections for 'About the program', 'What is a Community Wildlife Habitat?', and 'Ready to Get Sign Up? Register Now'. There are also social media sharing options and a 'GET OUR E-NEWSLETTER' button.

**Get Your Community Ready for Wildlife!**

- Step 1 - **Define Your Community**
- Step 2 - **Build Your Team**
- Step 3 - **Register Your Community**
- Step 4 - **Get Started**

**CERTIFY NOW**

**EARTH DAY**  
**April 22, 2014**

# WILDLIFE & WATER

From the Mountains to the Rivers to the Oceans



**NATIONAL WILDLIFE WEEK**  
March 17 - 23, 2014



[www.nwf.org/wildlifeweek](http://www.nwf.org/wildlifeweek)