

## **Biodiversity and Climate Action Activities**

**Biodiversity** includes all the process and practices you can do to encourage a variety of different life forms – the more life forms, the greater the biodiversity and the healthier the environment.

- 1. Attract birds to your garden (food and shelter)
- 2. Add a butterfly garden (flowers for nectar, caterpillar feeding plants)
- 3. Add a pollinator garden (bees)
- 4. Add water to your garden
- 5. Add a log or build a rock pile
- 6. Add a birdhouse, bat house or native pollinator house
- 7. Add more native plants to your garden



## **Climate Action**

- 1. Be Chemical-Free. Don't use artificial fertilisers and pesticides use compost and natural control methods
- 2. Improve your soil mulch and compost
- 3. Reduce water consumption by mulching, installing rain barrels, adjusting your watering schedule, and using drip irrigation
- 4. Compost kitchen and garden waste. Composting this waste can significantly reduce your contribution to carbon pollution
- 5. Plant trees trees absorb and store carbon
- 6. Plastic free garden. Plastic generates greenhouse gases in production and is also a danger to wildlife
- 7. If starting out and you don't have your own made compost use peat-free compost
- 8. Have an area of wildlife garden

## Useful Links

- <u>www.rhs.org.uk/science/conservation-biodiversity/wildlife/encourage-wildlife-to-yourgarden</u>
- <u>www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/gardens-gardening/your-garden/help-for-the-home-gardener/advice-tips-resources/visual-guides/adding-biodiversity-to-your-garden.aspx</u>
- www.rhs.org.uk/science/gardening-in-a-changing-world/climate-change