

# NATIVE BEE CONSERVATION PROGRAM

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**2022**

*Aim: Support native bees throughout  
Alberta with the help of Métis Citizens*

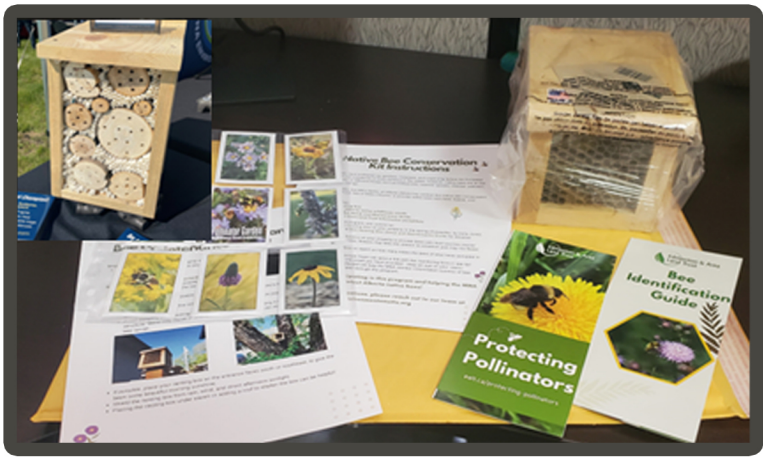
Native Bees have  
pollinated our gardens,  
meadows, and crops  
long before the European  
Honeybee was introduced  
to North America  
in the 1600s

## How are MNA Citizens helping?

- 240 MNA Citizens received a bee nesting box to place on their property this summer.
- In Fall 2022, participating Citizens will fill out a monitoring form and report back to the MNA on the bee activity in their nesting box.

## How does this program help native bees?

- The nesting box provides solitary native bees with a safe and clean place to lay their eggs year after year
- Wildflowers provide native bees with important food sources (pollen and nectar)



## What's in the kit?

- Bee Nesting Box (two different styles) and instructions
- Native bee informational pamphlets provided by the Edmonton & Area Land Trust
- A pack of Alberta native wildflower seeds

## Risks to Native Bees:

- Habitat loss
- Invasive species
- Disease
- Pollution
- Climate change



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