

# Seed Collecting for Monarchs and the Endangered Rusty Patched Bumble Bee!

The Pollinator Partnership has joined forces with several organizations and agencies to expand Project Wingspan, and **we need your help!** The project will be forming regional teams and collecting seed throughout Illinois.



We are looking for enthusiastic seed collecting volunteers in Illinois to help identify and collect milkweed and other valuable native forage plants. As a seed collecting volunteer you will be provided with training and be making valuable contributions to supporting migrating monarchs and the imperiled rusty patched bumble bee.

No seed collecting experience is required, but basic plant knowledge is preferred.

Project Wingspan is also looking for landowners and public land managers with robust native plant populations, who are interested in supporting local habitat restoration efforts by serving as native seed collection sites.

To sign-up as a *volunteer seed collector* please fill out the online form here:  
<https://tinyurl.com/Wingspan-volunteer>.

To see our list of target plants and sign-up as a *seed collection location* please fill out the online form here: <https://tinyurl.com/PWseedsite>



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