STEP THREE

By now, you should have developed a love for nature in your yard. Go through the Bibliography and Plant Source list, find the plants that will bring other pollinators to your yard.

PLANT SOURCES

**BEGINNER**

**INTERMEDIATE**
- Steiner, Lynn M. - Landscaping with Native Plants of Michigan, Voyageur Press, Minneapolis MN, 2006
- Conservation District Planting Native Plants: https://www.washtenawcd.org/planting-native-plants.html

**ADVANCED**

VOCABULARY

**Pollinator**
a diverse group of wildlife such as bees, butterflies, hummingbirds that move pollen and help fertilize plants.

**Native Plant**
a plant that evolved with wildlife, forming a symbiotic relationship with the wildlife.

**Nativar**
a cultivar that is bred from a native plant.

**Cultivar**
a specially bred or cloned plant. May have enhanced color or more abundant blossoms.

**Alien Plants**
a non-native plant that was introduced to a new ecosystem by humans.
Add these four flowers to your yard. Plant two or three of each species in a cluster. These plants have been studied and are known to be high attractors of pollinators.

**SPECIES**  
**SUN**  
Aster  
New England Aster*  
Big Heart Aster  
Milkweed  
Common and Butterfly Weed  
Poke Milkweed  
Sunflower  
False Sunflower*  
Woodland Sunflower*  
Goldenrod  
Bluestem or Zig Zag  
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*Trim these to half size in June to control size*

Be patient native plant growth pattern is **Sleep - Creep - Leap**

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**STEP ONE**

If step one was successful and you enjoyed the bees, butterflies and birds that came to your yard, you can use this outline for more. These plants can all be planted in the late fall or early spring.

**BLOOM**  
**SUN**  
**SHADE**  
Spring  
Beardtongue  
Wild Strawberry  
Wild Blue Indigo  
Golden Alexander Columbine  
Columbine  
Wild Strawberry  
Wild Geranium  
Solomon Seal  
False Solomon Seal  
Woodland Phlox  
Wood Poppy  
Wild Ginger  
Summer  
Cup Plant  
Bergamont  
Green Coneflower  
Mountain Mint  
Nodding Onion  
Purple Coneflower  
Swamp Milkweed  
Jacobs Ladder