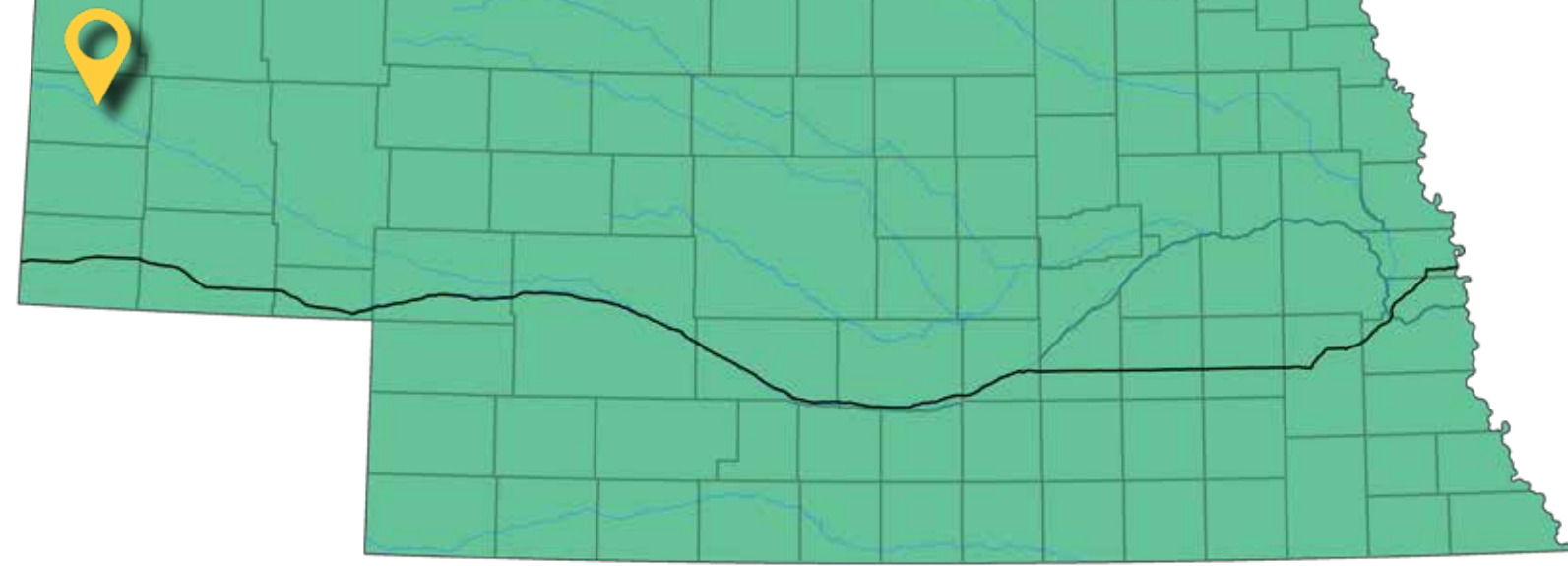


Scottsbluff



1200 East 9th Street, Scottsbluff, Nebraska

The project

The Guadalupe Center Pollinator Garden was created with several goals in mind: beauty, stormwater capture, education and **habitat**. The east parking lot island was expanded and excavated to house the garden, with underground pipes **channeling roof stormwater** to the sunken portion. Irrigation was diverted from the existing sprinkler system, and everything was converted to drip irrigation. Most plants were purchased from NSA directly or through the Bloom Box program, with others transplanted from existing pollinator gardens and **grown by seed**. Cooperation with lots of government agencies and third parties helped get all the work done in a timely manner, especially Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, the City of Scottsbluff, and Benjamin Rodriguez Construction.



Picture of the garden bed alongside the building after planting in May of 2017.

What we learned

- 1 Any piece of ground can be made into fertile soil.
- 2 Making fertile soil is a lot more work than you think.
- 3 Things are more expensive than you presume.



Purple Poppymallow
Callirhoe involucrata



Fox Sedge
Carex vulpinoidea



Indiangrass
Sorghastrum nutans



Wichita Mtns Goldenrod
Solidago 'Wichita Mtns'

Who's involved & costs

- City of Scottsbluff
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Church
- Guadalupe Recreation Center
- Nebraska Forest System
- North Platte NRD
- Benjamin Rodriguez Construction

\$3,913

PAID BY GREENER TOWNS

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PAID BY OTHER GRANTS

\$832

PAID LOCALLY

\$6,413

DONATED TIME/GOODS

\$11,159

PROJECT VALUE



Before and after comparison of the parking lot.

Guadalupe Center Pollinator Garden

GREENER TOWNS



POLLINATORS



CLEANS WATER



SOIL BUILDING



LEARNING

