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Save the Date: Mayors' Monarch Pledge Network-Wide Meeting on Jan 24th

Dear Mayors' Monarch Pledge Participants,

Please join the Mayors' Monarch Pledge program on **January 24th from 4-5 PM Eastern** for our first network-wide meeting of the year. We are excited to begin another year of work with all of our 2022 pledges, and will be celebrating some of the many accomplishments from all communities that pledged in 2021.



During this meeting we will be joined by special guest speaker Wendy Caldwell who is the current Executive Director at [Monarch Joint Venture](#), a national organization working to build a national partnership of federal and state agencies, other nonprofits, community groups, businesses, and academic programs to conserve monarch butterflies and other pollinators.

Below you will find the agenda and Zoom link for our network-wide meeting on **January 24th from 4-5 PM Eastern**. Please note that this is not a public event – it is intended for our Mayors' Monarch Pledge staff points of contact. We encourage you to join via your computer or smartphone so you can view the presentation and participate in our video call! The meeting will be recorded and added to the Resource Center.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://nwf-org.zoom.us/j/99234679355?pwd=Tjh1UmpXbXl3b1A5aVd1ZEEdVSDJnQT09>

Joining by Phone: Dial - +1646 558 8656, Meeting ID: 992 3467 9355

AGENDA:

A. Roll Call and Zoom Overview

B. 2021 Mayors' Monarch Pledge Report Highlights: *Patrick Fitzgerald, Senior Director of Community Wildlife*

C. Special Guest Speaker with Brief Q&A: *Wendy Caldwell, Executive Director of Monarch Joint Venture*

- Wendy Caldwell is the Executive Director of Monarch Joint Venture, an organization leading national monarch conservation efforts since 2009 through building partnerships across a diverse set of stakeholders committed towards conserving the monarch migration. Wendy will be sharing a few initiatives and projects that the organization has been working on as well as monarch conservation best practices, that can help increase community engagement in conservation efforts.

D. Scientific Update on Boom in Western Monarch Numbers: *Rebeca Quiñonez-Piñón, Climate-Resilient Habitats Senior Manager and Chief Monarch Recovery Strategist*

E. National Wildlife Federation Updates: *Emily Preziotti, Community Wildlife Manager*

- The re-pledging period has begun! [Retake the Pledge](#) from December 1 – March 31.
- The [Online Platform How-To Manual](#) will help you learn to navigate the

website and your community's profile page.

- Please update your community profile, if you haven't already – post a photo, add a "community spotlight" by visiting the [Mayors' Monarch Pledge Portal website](#).
- If you're on Facebook, please join the [Mayors' Monarch Pledge Facebook group](#).
- The Virtual and Alternative Activity Guide is a resource to support communities through the Covid-19 pandemic which has limited certain events and activities. This guide is located in the [Resource Center](#).

F. Breakout Group Questions, *Dawit Kifleariam, Community Wildlife Program Coordinator*

- Introductions: Name and community
- What were some of your community highlights or milestone achievements from 2021?
- What resources could help support your work in 2022?
- What are you planning to do this year?

G. Report Out from Breakout Groups

H. 2022 Mayors' Monarch Pledge Network-Wide Meeting Schedule: March 14th, May 9th, July 11th, September 12th, and November 14th (4:00pm – 5:00pm ET)



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