



VILLAGE OF PINECREST

Press Release

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Volunteers young and old celebrated National Public Lands Day in Pinecrest by contributing their time to beautifying and maintaining Village parks

Pinecrest, Fla. – Pinecrest celebrated National Public Lands Day, Saturday, September 27th in two Village parks with volunteers that ranged from children as young as 12 years old to adults who volunteer with the Tremendous Miami, an organization dedicated to preserving trees in Miami-Dade County.

Tremendous Miami volunteers planted an additional 90 plants in the all-native-species project on the eastern side of Coral Pine Park to continue to beautify and maintain this extraordinary installation, favored by butterflies and birds alike. This exotic-to-native transformation section was started in March of 2013 and has grown beyond expectations.

Girl Scouts and other Pinecrest residents came out to the Pinecrest Community Center's butterfly garden and cleaned up the flower beds and planted pesticide-free flowering plants that encourage bees and butterflies to pollinate.

"I came out to the community center to make a difference in our community. By spreading the word about the importance of bees I hope I have started a trend in Pinecrest to be a bee friendly and pollinator friendly neighborhood," said Dylan Solomon, who is an 11th grader in Miami Palmetto Senior High School and started a non-profit named Bee Cause with his younger sister Olivia who is in the Girl Scouts.

To further commemorate this special day, the Mayor Cindy Lerner proclaimed September 27, 2014 National Public Lands Day.

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