## No Mow May

## Work Less, Get More

Save your time and energy, while decreasing pollution from gas engines and yard chemicals. Gain habitat and food for early pollinators, while increasing the number and variety of native pollinators. You'll end up with a healthier yard.

## Easy steps:

- Register with the City at: goldenvalleymn.gov/320/Pollinators
- Don't mow
- Don't fertilize
- Don't use pesticides
- Don't clean up gardens

## Don't take "No Mow" or "May" literally.

- You don't have to try this on your entire lawn.
- If your grass gets too long, you may have to mow some or all of it. (Best practice: take no more than 1/3 of the height off at one time.)
- Be a good neighbor harvest or mow dandelion flowers before they go to seed.

Think of conventional lawns as a green desert with no food or shelter for wildlife. To maintain these lawns, we use 800 million gallons of gasoline and 90 million pounds of herbicides <u>each year</u> on lawns; and 9 billion gallons of drinking water <u>each day!</u>