



Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge

Pocket Refuge Program

WHAT IS A POCKET REFUGE?

A Pocket Refuge is an area in the urban landscape that serves as a refuge for native plants and animals. These public spaces provide a place for people to connect with nature and help support native species by providing the necessary elements for survival such as food, water, and shelter.

HELP CREATE SPACES FOR CONNECTION
TO NATURE AND COMMUNITY!

BENEFITS OF A POCKET REFUGE

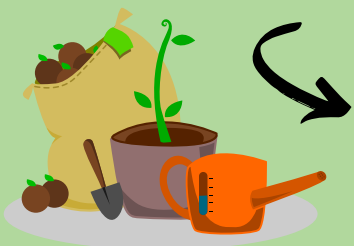
INCREASES BIODIVERSITY IN
URBANIZED AREAS.

CREATES GREEN SPACE FOR
LOCAL RESIDENTS TO
CONNECT WITH NATURE.

PROVIDES A PLACE FOR
SOLITUDE OR COMMUNITY
GATHERING.

SERVES AS HABITAT FOR
NATIVE POLLINATORS.

SCAN TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE!



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REFUGE SYSTEM

CONTACT US TO GET INVOLVED!

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INTERESTED IN CREATING A POCKET REFUGE FOR YOUR COMMUNITY?

Within the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Loxahatchee's Urban Community Engagement team works with the National Wildlife Refuge Association (NWRA) to partner with local organizations to establish pocket refuges in nearby communities. The diagram below outlines the respective responsibilities of each partner when collaborating on a Pocket Refuge.

USFWS & NWRA RESPONSIBILITIES

- PROVIDE NATIVE PLANT MATERIALS
- GIVE GUIDANCE ON NATIVE FLORIDA PLANTS
- RECRUIT VOLUNTEERS FOR INITIAL PLANTING



COLLABORATION!

- JOINT DESIGN OF THE POCKET REFUGE!
- JOINT PROMOTION OF THE POCKET REFUGE AND ITS BENEFITS!

PARTNER(S) RESPONSIBILITIES

- SECURE APPROVAL TO PLANT A POCKET REFUGE
- MAINTAIN POCKET REFUGE (WATERING, WEEDING, MULCHING, ECT.)

