Backyard Habitat Certification Program

The Backyard Habitat Certification Program provides technical assistance and incentives to Lake Oswego residents who wish to restore native wildlife habitat in their backyards. Participants are guided through three levels of habitat restoration: silver, gold, and platinum. The program focuses on the removal of aggressive weeds, landscaping with native plants, stormwater management, and wildlife stewardship.

The first step of certification is a site visit from Friends of Tryon Creek's backyard habitat expert, who will provide a personalized site plan to guide your restoration efforts. Participants also receive discounts and incentives for native plants, educational materials, and a certification sign. It costs only $35 to participate, and the program is open to all small-lot property owners (an acre or less) and renters.

The Backyard Habitat program is brought to you by the Friends of Tryon Creek, in collaboration with Columbia Land Trust, the Audubon Society of Portland, and the City of Lake Oswego. Click the link below to learn more about the program and to sign up for a site visit. You can contact the Friends of Tryon Creek at backyardhabitat @tryonfriends.org

The City partners with KOIN on their "Water-Do-Your-Part" campaign. Check out their video (below) regarding the Backyard Habitat Certification program!

Supporting Documents

Water-Do-Your-Part video: Wildlife Habitat Garden with KOIN's Kristen Van Dyke

Web Links

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