

## **2024 Community Science Opportunities**

### **Amphibian Projects**

#### **Salamander Cover-board Monitoring**

- What: Walk a line of boards in the woods; look for salamanders (ID, capture, weigh); record basic meta data
- Where: Crossways and Camp Woods Preserves
- When: March – May AND September – November
- How Often: Once per 9-day period; ~1 hour each to assigned site
- For this project it is possible to volunteer for only the Spring session (6 visits), only the Fall session (6 visits) or for the whole year (12 visits)

### **Bird Projects**

#### **Woodcock Call Surveys**

- What: Listen for displaying woodcocks during the breeding season
- Where: Crossways Preserve, Armentrout Preserve, Willow Lake Preserve, Dodsworth Run Preserve
- When: March – April; Sunset
- How often: 4-6 visits ~30 minutes each at assigned site

#### **Nest Box Monitoring**

- What: Monitor nest boxes for bird species using, presence of eggs/young
- Where: Crossways, Dodsworth, Armentrout, Willow Lake Preserves
- When: April – August
- How Often: Weekly at assigned site

### **Pollinator Projects**

#### **Caterpillars Count!**

- What: Conduct surveys of insects and caterpillars on trees and bushes
- Where: Crossways and Camp Woods Preserves
- When: Mid April – Early August
- How Often: Weekly for 1-2 hours (do not need to commit to entire time period)

#### **Monarch Butterfly Projects**

- What: Monitor milkweed plants for monarch eggs and caterpillars
- Where: Preserve locations to be determined
- When: Late July to Early August
- How Often: Multiple locations and times to be determined to occur during the national Monarch Monitoring Blitz week. Volunteers may attend only one or multiple sessions based on their availability.

## **Creek Watch**

- What: Streamside visual monitoring
- Where: At assigned site throughout the watershed
- When: year round
- How Often: Monthly
- Trainings: Vary. Held at least twice per year

***To receive more information about any of these projects, please fill out the volunteer form on our [website](#), and indicate in the comments field which project(s) you are interested in.***