

# LEAVE THE LEAVES

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BEE CITY USA AFFILIATES

Royal Oak was certified  
on Nov. 17, 2022

The **Environmental Advisory Board** serves as the Bee City USA committee



**Leave the Leaves on Your Lawn:** Simply let the leaves stay where they fall, especially under trees and bushes.



**Protection for Your Garden:** If you prefer a tidier look, spread leaves in garden beds to enhance soil and plant health.



**Try the Mullet Method:** If you are concerned about what your neighbors might think, rake leaves into your backyard—business in the front and pollinator slumber party in the back.

## Xerces Society Launches Campaign for Bee City USA Communities

The Xerces Society has developed a campaign that includes social media assets, signs, posters and more, which is now available to Bee City USA affiliates.



Caterpillars of fritillary butterflies overwinter in fall leaves - so please

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**One of the most valuable things a community can do to support pollinators and other invertebrates is to provide them with the winter cover they need.**

