

[Pollinate Conway!](#) has developed a multi-year planting plan to provide screening and enhance the landscape at *Veterans Memorial Park* across from Town Hall. We have a proposed design to install native trees and shrubs at the park in spring 2024.

In early June, we began preparing the site using sheet mulch (layers of cardboard and wood chips) to smother existing vegetation where we intend to plant. Now we need to complete Phase 2 of site preparation.



Site after Phase 1 of site preparation. Phase 2 will extend the area covered to the far left and to the right.

Please joins us on the morning of Sunday, Aug. 20 to help with Phase 2. Our effort will include:

- Preparing cardboard to put over the area (removing labels, tape, staples)
- Putting down the cardboard and wetting the area (before and after)
- Moving wood chips via wheelbarrows to cover the cardboard (we're aiming for chips 4 inches deep)
- Possibly some weeding and pruning

We expect to transport the wood chips to the park before 8/20. We need your help distributing them.

When: Sunday, Aug. 20, starting at 9am

Where: Veterans Memorial Park

What to bring:

- *Wheelbarrow, if you have one or can borrow one for the day*
- *Shovel and/or pitchfork*
- *Rakes (hard rake for moving chips)*
- *Work gloves*
- *Box cutter (for cardboard prep)*
- *Pruning and weeding tools*
- *Plenty of water to keep yourself hydrated*
- *Hat, sunscreen, bug repellent*

NOTE: There is poison ivy at the site--dress accordingly.

If you are available to help, please let us know by emailing PollinateConway@gmail.com. Indicate if you are restricted in which activities you can help with. If you can bring a wheelbarrow, please let us know. If you cannot commit but want to show up last minute, please do. Feel free to bring a friend!

Below are some photos from our first round of site prep in early June. Together we accomplished a lot!



Cardboard prep



Watering the areas to be covered and spreading wood chips