

A close-up photograph of a honeybee on a yellow flower. The bee is positioned in the center-right of the frame, facing right. It has a fuzzy, golden-brown thorax and head, with a black and yellow striped abdomen. Its wings are transparent with visible veins. The bee is standing on a yellow petal, and a bright orange, oval-shaped object (possibly a piece of fruit or a seed) is visible near its legs. The background is a solid light blue. At the top of the page, there is a large white circle, suggesting a hole punch or a design element.

BEE Protective

**Protecting honey bees
and wild pollinators
from pesticides**

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BEE PROTECTIVE IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Pesticides are killing bees, and policy makers just aren't acting quickly enough to help them. But backyard gardeners, sideline beekeepers and ordinary people all over the country have been stepping up.

Solutions to the loss of bees and human productivity are clearly within our reach if we engage our communities and governmental bodies. The shift to organic practices is a necessity that is protective of health and the environment, sustainable and cost effective.



Why Are Bees Important?

Bees are responsible for 1 in every 3 bites of food that we eat! Pollinators contribute between \$20 and \$30 billion in economic value to agriculture each year.

What Can You Do?

- Create pollinator friendly habitat.
- Become a backyard beekeeper.
- Build biodiversity.
- Go organic.
- Pass ordinances and local policies!

For information on how to **BEE Protective**, call Beyond Pesticides, 888-NOPOISON, or visit www.beyondpesticides.org



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