Give Natives a Chance everywhere on your property

Minimize suburban turf grass.

Nurture a mixture of <u>native</u> trees, shrubs, grasses and flowers that can both absorb pollutant run off and provide habitat.

Identify and eliminate invasive species so beneficial native plants thrive

So what is stopping you?

Time/Skills/ not sure where to start

Need plant list so can decide on plan

Native plants too costly

Let Buffer Buddies Help

Buffer Buddies

The purpose is to <u>educate</u> and <u>support</u> owners interested in installing or improving native plants <u>anywhere on their property</u>.

Buffer Buddies Lets do it together!

<u>Signup for a Site visit</u> to introduce you to the program and begin your project.

<u>Attend site visits with conservation</u> specialist to identify existing plants as native, non-native or invasive.

Resources: Healthy Lakes manual, Property survey brochure. Online links and local tips. *Other Buffer Buddies.*

Commit to this group

Find a support "buddy"

Make yourself accountable to each other.

Share your experience, plants, materials and labor.

Recruit new members

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Get out and meet some plants:

Take photos and compare online and test phone apps.

Note soil conditions and sun exposure and compare to your site

Visit demo site.

Visit Ridges to view wildflower natives along their trails.

Visit existing buffers around Clark Lake and discuss experience with owners.

Visit the native plants display at the Whitefish Dunes

Clark Lake inventory

Healthy Lakes templates

Prairie Moon and Prairie Nurseries online

Where to find Buffer Buddies online resources

Begin at CLAA website clarklakewi.com and navigate to WQVC website

clarklakewi.com/About us/committees/Water Quality and Vegetation Committee/WQVC website link

Begin at **WQVC** website

https://sites.google.com/view/claa-water-quality-committee/home

The first page is a description of the topics including a link to the folder with all documents related to the topic. You will find the Buffer Buddy link in the natural Shores paragraph.

Direct link to Buffer Buddies Folder

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/19MMmR4tvWlEzA6yjYPVJWiEIG9gHWyIp?usp=sharing