

CHILDREN'S BUTTERFLY GARDEN | EXISTING CONDITIONS

In 2015, Aldo Leopold Middle School (ALCS) students, teachers and parent volunteers built and planted a butterfly-shaped pollinator garden to celebrate the lives of Ella Kirk, Michael Mahl and Ella Myers. The garden is maintained annually by volunteers from ALCS.

The Children's Butterfly Garden is arguably the most cherished space in the botanical garden, and, therefore, any adjustments to this space will go through a more significant review process with involvement from key community members to be determined by Silva Creek Botanical Garden.

There is an opportunity to improve the visibility of the butterfly shape which can be difficult to perceive from the main pathway. Additionally, this space was designed as a teaching garden, so improving access within the garden and providing a small gathering space outside the garden will help to better meet the goal of the original design.



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