

# Connecting communities across North America



Weighing less than a gram (*the weight of a paper clip*), monarch butterflies are capable of flying over 4500 kilometers to reach their most southerly wintering destination in Mexico. It takes only one generation—living up to nine months—to migrate from Canada or the United States to Mexico, but four generations to migrate north, laying eggs and reproducing the succeeding generations on their way back! Monarch larvae feed solely on milkweed along their migratory routes.

No milkweed, no monarchs!



# CEC efforts on behalf of monarch conservation



- Encourage information sharing
- Facilitate international scientific collaboration
- Coordinate monitoring efforts
- Promote habitat restoration and management

Since 2007, the Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC) has supported monarch butterfly conservation work between Canada, Mexico and the United States, the three countries that are home to this unique and endangered migratory phenomenon.

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