

## People's Garden Apiary

One of the objectives of the People's Garden Apiary is to provide outreach and educational opportunities regarding pollinators. In addition, the apiary is designed and managed to provide safe and healthy honey bee colonies to pollinate the People's Garden and adjacent areas while minimizing any threat to public health and safety. The bee colonies for the apiary were supplied by and the property of USDA-Agricultural Research Service (ARS), Bee Research Laboratory at Beltsville, Maryland. USDA Executive Master Gardeners have been helping maintain the colonies. Since 2010 the two hives have produced over 10 gallons of honey for harvesting.



People's Garden Apiary Honey being jarred. Over 10 gallons have been harvested to date.



The bee hives are on the Whitten Building roof. USDA Executive Master Gardeners volunteers help maintain the hives.



The honey bees have done well on the roof and have been pollinating the People's Garden and all the surrounding gardens