### BLOOMINGTON URBAN WOODLANDS PROJECT NEWS



With donations from the Indiana University Caving Club and a grant from the Sassafras Audubon Society, we installed owl and bat boxes in Dunn's and Latimer Woods this spring. Owls are predators that can help keep small herbivores, such as rabbits in check. Bats help to control mosquitos.

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#### WHY PLANT NATIVE?

Native plants provide food and shelter to birds, butterflies and other native wildlife, fostering the biodiversity of our woodlands. Biodiversity supports numerous ecosystem services.

#### **ECOSYSTEM SERVICES**<sup>1</sup>

- **Supporting services:** nutrient recycling, primary production, soil formation
- Provisioning services: food, raw materials, water, minerals, energy
- Regulating services: carbon sequestration, waste decomposition, climate and disease control, stormwater regulation
- Cultural services:
  recreational opportunities,
  aesthetic and historic value,
  support of physical and mental
  health and cognitive
  development

<sup>1</sup>Millennium Ecosystem Assessment, 2005. Ecosystems and Human Well-being: Synthesis. Island Press, Washington, DC.

# NATIVE WOODLAND PLANTS

BEAUTIFUL OPTIONS
FOR YOUR LAND THAT
WON'T BE BREAKFAST
FOR BUNNIES OR
DINNER FOR DEER





#### **RABBIT AND DEER RESISTANT SPECIES FOR NATIVE WOODLAND PLANTINGS**





White Snakeroot, Ageratina altissima



Mistflower, Conoclinium coelestinum



Sensitive Fern, Onoclea sensibilis



Calico Beardtongue, Penstemon calycosus



Wild Ginger, Asarum candense



Lady Fern, Athyrium filix-femina



Hairy Wood Mint, Blephilia hirsuta



Wild Stonecrop, Sedum ternatum

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