

IGNITE GOOD! Service Project

HOMES FOR BEES

Bees are a very important insect because they help to pollinate flowers and other plants. One way that you can help bees is tp make a home to keep their babies warm during the winter.

Some types of bees lay their eggs in burrow-type spaces, which you can replicate using materials found around your house.

Instructions

- 1. Cut the scrap paper into strips slightly shorter than the can.
- 2. Wrap a strip of paper around your pencil. Try to wrap it at least five times for extra insulation to keep the baby bees warm.
- 3. Tape the paper down so it stays rolled.
- 4. Take it off of the pencil.
- 5. Repeat until you have enough tubes of paper to fill the can (usually about 30).
- 6. Cover the bottom of the inside of the can with glue.
- 7. Put the toilet paper tubes into the can standing up. It's okay if they're a little squished.
- 8. Fill in the empty space with the paper rolls you made. Make sure they are nice and snug, but not so snug that the tubes are squished closed.
- 9. Find a sunny spot about 3 feet off the ground.
- 10. Secure your bee home in place in that spot.

MATERIALS

- Clean food can
- Scrap paper
- 2 toilet paper rolls
- Pencil
- Tape

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GREAT JOB, HERO!

Make sure to leave your bee house alone so you don't disturb them. While the types of bees that live in these homes don't have stingers, it is still important to respect nature.

If a bee decides to move in, you will notice mud plugging up the holes!



WHAT OTHER ANIMALS COULD WE BUILD HOMES FOR?

Draw a picture that shows you helping build a home for another animal!