

Urban Biodiversity

Celebrating and restoring nature in cities through community-driven action and ecosystem design:

Urban Biodiversity Coalition

City Nature Challenge – Dubai

Urban Nature Academy

Terra Botanic Garden

Hundred Hives

Nature Therapy & Biophilic Wellbeing

Advance Wellness & Belonging



Urban Biodiversity Urban Biodiversity Coalition

A national alliance uniting the UAE's leaders in urban conservation. Terra serves as the convening hub, connecting municipal planners, NGOs, scientists, and designers to advance nature-positive cities through education, engagement, and collaboration.

Urban Biodiversity City Nature Challenge – Dubai

A flagship citizen science initiative that mobilized over 1,300 biodiversity observations in its 2025 debut. Bioblitzes, nature walks, and school programs celebrate Dubai's hidden wildlife and lay the groundwork for long-term ecological monitoring.



Urban Biodiversity Urban Nature Academy

A training and certification platform empowering guides, educators, and youth leaders with conservation science, local ecological knowledge, and indigenous wisdom. Includes the UAE's first Urban Biodiversity Fellowship, field-based learning, and an Urban Field Guide series.



Urban Biodiversity Terra Botanic Garden

Transforming Terra's native landscape into the UAE's first BGCI-certified botanic garden. Focuses on native plant conservation, public education, therapeutic design, and regional plant research. Anchored by Terra's Green Team.



Urban Biodiversity Hundred Hives

Promoting native pollinator conservation through the installation of 100 educational beehives across UAE schools. Supported by teacher training, data collection, and a public pollinator campaign and powered by program supporters.



Urban Biodiversity Nature Therapy & Biophilic Wellbeing

Creating immersive, evidence-based experiences that support mental wellbeing through connection with urban nature in arid environments. Anchored by the UAE's first dedicated Nature Therapy Garden, the program combines native ecology, sensory design, and mindfulness to restore focus, reduce stress, and foster emotional resilience for all ages.



Urban Biodiversity Advance Wellness & Belonging

- **Why?** Women's mental, physical, and emotional health is closely tied to their experience of space – from access to green areas to safety in mobility
- **Focus:** Foster physical, emotional and cultural well-being through inclusive programmes that centre women's lived experiences