BUILD YOUR OWN BUG HOUSE

Use your imagination and create a house for bugs and bees in any shape you like. Place it outside near your garden in a place that is protected from the wind and rain. Bring it into a cool, dry place in the winter.

- 1. Start with a box, milk carton or even a small wooden crate or box.
- 2. Collect materials that you will use to fill the bug house. Use your imagination or start with some of these things:
 - Pieces of bark
 - Corrugated cardboard
 - Dry leaves and dry sticks and twigs
 - Straws or hay.
 - Small stones you like
 - Dried flowers
 - Moss
 - Nut shells or shells
 - Twine or pieces of rope
 - Burlap
 - Small plastic bottles
 - Popsicle sticks
 - Scrap paper
 - Toilet paper rolls
 - Small Dixie cups
 - Small pine cones
 - Small boxes
- 3. Glue the tubes, cups, toilet paper rolls and small boxes to the back of the box or carton. Fill them with the other materials you have collected.
- 4. Hang your bug house outside and let the bugs and bees check in!

Have Fun and send us a picture or post your bug house on Instagram, Facebook or share with your friends at school. You can send a picture of your project to our Market Educator Avery Kelly at <u>averykelly@sthelenafarmersmkt.org</u>