

Honey Bee Swarm Information

Lake County Fact Sheet #HYG2411

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If a Honey Bee swarm flies into your yard, lands in a bush or tree forming a cluster, the bees are usually harmless at this point ... no need for panic!

If, however, you notice Honey Bees flying in and out of a hole or cavity in your house or other building on your property, then this is most likely an established feral colony. Do not approach - they could be very defensive and sting anyone who approaches them including livestock and pets!

If you want them removed, then please call:

Lake County Beekeepers

- C: 352-267-1630 Kris
- C: 352-801-8556 Angie

NOTE: To expedite, please text your address, a photo and a brief description of the situation so we may pass this information on to our members. Someone nearby will call you.

If we are not able to help for some reason, then we will recommend a professional company to contact.

Please only destroy the bees as a last resort, we need to save all the bees we can! The USA loses between 40-50% of its entire Honey Bee population every year for various reasons!

Thank you for helping to save the bees!

REFERENCE: Bee on the lookout for honey bee swarms. <https://blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/osceolaco/2021/03/05/bee-on-the-lookout-for-honey-bee-swarms/>

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