Bumble Bee Hibernation Pot

BENEFIT TO WILDLIFE
Bumble bee populations are showing signs of trouble. Creating a hibernation pot for them is one small way to provide shelter and protection during the months when they hunker down in the soil to await spring.

INSTRUCTIONS
Find a quiet, dry location in your garden and scrape away the top of the soil. Place the pot upside down on the cleared soil and cover the pot about ½ way with soil to provide stability and insulation. The moss in the pot will drop away from the hole leaving room for the bee to enter and maneuver its way down through the layer of straw and burrow into the soil until spring. In the late spring or early summer, flip over the pot and look for signs of a hole or burrow, which is a good sign a bumble bee used your pot!

ADDITIONAL INFO
http://content.yardmap.org/learn/pollinators-at-home-intro-to-pollinator-gardening/
http://content.yardmap.org/learn/wildlife-value-of-a-messy-garden/